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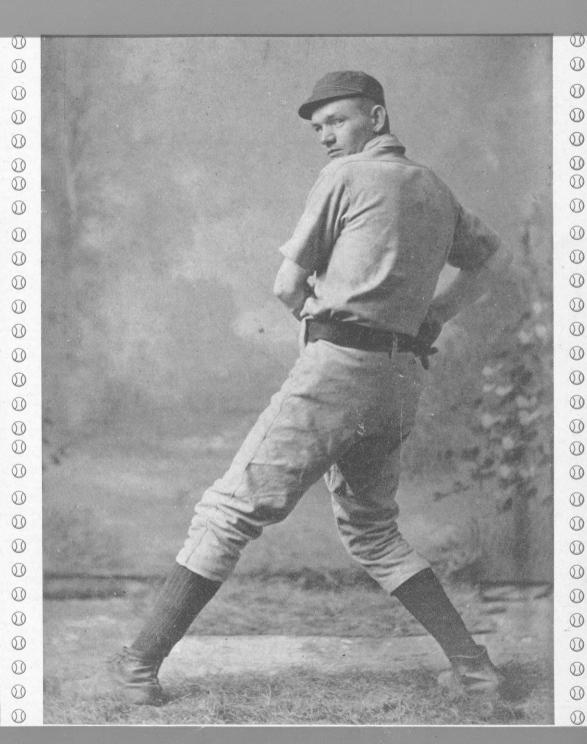
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## The Editor's Page

#### Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf

Registration at the biennial Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf held at the Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind June 28-July 2 was about 731. Deaf teachers attended in large numbers and were active in most sections of the program. This year's convention was conducted along workshop lines, and the innovation was well received. The dinners of the Little Paper Family and the Gallaudet College Alumni Association were highlights. Attendance was much larger than usual due to these events being open to the general public.

Next month we hope to have a feature story on the convention along with some pictures.

The 1961 meeting of the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf will be held in Salem, Oregon.

#### The Deaf in Athletics

In this issue deaf professional baseball players are given the recognition due them. It is obvious that the athletes mentioned performed in years gone by and that during the last quarter of a century only one deaf player has made the grade in the major leagues.

There have been quite a few professional boxers and wrestlers to whom deafness has proved no handicap, but at present we know of none still active in the United States. In football-at least in the professional ranks—there have been no deaf players for many years. Likewise deaf athletes are absent from professional basketball.

What does the future hold for deaf athletes who might seek careers in sports? There is still a place for the performer who possesses exceptional ability and the drive to succeed, but it is harder now to make the grade than it was 50 or 75 years ago.

#### Recruiting Teachers

A couple issues back we noted the increasing difficulties of our schools for the deaf in attracting teachers and other personnel. It is gratifying, however, to observe that children of deaf parents continue to enter the field. Many of us feel that these are among the finest prospects for leadership and outstanding service. As long as there are educators coming from

families of the deaf, we are assured of an understanding of our problemsin life as well as in education.

Not long ago we had occasion to ask a deaf father of a hearing son what was the most pleasant or satisfying incident connected with his son's life and were told "when he told me he had decided to become a teacher of the deaf."

Children of deaf parents should be advised of the opportunities in the field of education of the deaf. There is room for more and more of them.

#### Legal Precedents

Lowell Myers' column in this issue is of unusual interest in that from far off Ghana he has received a request for legal assistance. We are eagerly awaiting the outcome of the case in question and are sure Lowell will keep us readers posted.

Has anyone ever taken the trouble to compile a file of legal precedents with reference to deaf persons? We doubt it and hope Lowell will continue to pursue his interests along these lines.

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## The Legal Column

By Lowell J. Myers Attorney at Law

A Letter From Africa

From:

GHANA MISSION SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

> P. O. Box 27, Mampong-Akwapim, Ghana, W. Africa, May 27, 1959.

To:

Attorney Lowell J. Myers c/o The Silent Worker 2495 Shattuck Avenue Berkeley 4, California U.S.A.

Dear Attorney Myers:

As often as conveniently possible, I follow your legal column in THE SILENT WORKER and find it quite Worker and find it quite stimulating. Now I wonder whether you could offer any counsel with the case which follows.

There is a young deaf farmer on trial here for allegedly murdering another farmer. Though he lacks speech and apparently any schooling, this fellow appears to be normal emotionally. I was called to assist the court's official linguist with interpretation at the preliminary trials. By using tribal signs and natural gestures, I think we were able to get across many of the ideas.

Now he is before Ghana's highest tribunal, which is reluctant to try him unless he understands the proceedings. I am trying to convince the court of his double handicap of communication barrier and intellectual shortcoming, which make him incapable of comprehending the proceedings precisely. There appears to be no precedent for this case; and murder is sometimes a capital offense here.

Do you know of any similar case n America? Also any literature pointedly dealing with the communication problem of the congentially deaf adult, the "prelingual deaf," etc.? I shall be most grateful for any information and/or suggestions which you may be able to render.

I look forward to hearing from you

at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely, Andrew Foster, Director.

From:

LOWELL J. MYERS Attorney at Law

> 1317 Winnemac Street Chicago 40, Illinois United States of America June 16, 1959

Mr. Andrew Foster, Director Ghana Mission School for the Deaf P. O. Box 27 Mampong-Akwapim, Ghana, W. Africa

Dear Mr. Foster:

Your letter of May 27th, brings up a very interesting legal question.

In the United States of America it is a firmly established principle of law that a person cannot be put on trial if his condition is such that he will not be able to understand the proceedings and make a proper defense.

For example, in the case of Mothershead v. King, 1940, Federal Circuit Court of Appeals, 112 Fed. Rep. 2d pages 1004 to 1006, which involved a deaf-mute accused of burglary, the Court said:

"The conviction of a person whose infirmities are such that he cannot understand or comprehend the proceedings resulting in his conviction and cannot defend himself against such charges, is violative of certain immutable principles of justice.

Likewise, in the case of Sanders v. Allen, 1938, 100 Fed. 2d, 717 to 720, which involved a woman who claimed that she had been put under the influence of narcotic drugs during her trial, the United States Court of Appeals said:

"The trial and conviction of a person mentally and physically incapable of making a defense violates certain immutable principles of justice which inhere in the very ideal of free government.

The inability of an accused person to stand trial usually arises either from physical illness or from mental illness (insanity). In either case, the established procedure in the United States is to postpone the trial until the person recovers from his illness and is capable of standing trial. If the person is suffering from a physical illness, he will be put into a hospital or into the custody of his physician until he is well. If the person is suffering from insanity, he will be put into a mental institution until he recovers. If he never recovers, then he will be kept in the mental institution for life.

But, the case of a completely uneducated deaf-mute is entirely different. In this case, the person is not sick at all. either physically or mentally. His only defect is a lack of education which makes it impossible for him to communicate with other persons. For all practical purposes this condition is permanent.

Obviously, if such a person is put on trial, he suffers a terrible handicap. He cannot understand the charge against him. He cannot understand the nature of the trial. He cannot communicate with his own lawyer. He cannot understand what the witnesses against him are saying. If he has a perfectly sound defense, such as self-defense, he would have no way at all of presenting that defense. He cannot even testify in his own behalf. He has no way at all of defending himself against a false charge. It would be very easy under such conditions for a guilty person to "frame" such a deaf-mute and have him convicted of a crime that he never committed.

I have carefully searched the cases on record in the courts of the United States, and I have found one case, and one case only, that covers this particular problem. This is the only case that considers the ability of a sane, uneducated, deaf-mute person to defend himself against a charge of murder. (There are a few other cases on record in this country that involved deafmutes who were tried on murder charges, such as the case of Chase v. State, 1900, Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, 55 S.W., 833; and Belcher v. Commonwealth, 1915, 165 Kentucky 649, 177 S.W. 455; but these cases dealt only with the question of sanity or insanity. The question of sanity, of course, is entirely separate from the question of ability to stand trial due to deafness. The two matters are different and should not be confused.)

The one case that directly applies to our problem is the case of State v. William Harris, 1860, 53, N. Car., 136 to 144, which was heard before the supreme court of the State of North Carolina. The Court held that an uneducated deaf-mute accused of murder did not have the capacity to stand trial and therefore could not be tried.

The Court said:

"We have stated these cases (from England) with more than usual particularity, because they set forth clearly, the true grounds upon which a deaf and dumb prisoner, whose faculties nave not been and who, in the arts of education, and who, in therefore, cannot be faculties have not been improved by made to understand the nature and incidents of a trial, ought not to be compelled to go through, what must be to him, the senseless forms of a trial. Whether arising from physical defect or mental disorder, he must, under such circumstances, be deemed "not sane," and of course, according to the great authority of Lord Hale, he ought not be tried . . ." (At page 143.)

Enclosed herewith you will find a photographic copy of the full decision of the Court in this case, which is 10 pages long. I am also enclosing two extra copies of this decision, and two extra copies of this letter, and I suggest that you immediately mail one copy of each to Mr. F. Glasgow, Senior Crown Counsel, and to Mr. C. T. Yeboah, Counsel for the accused, so that it will reach them before the start of the July Assize. This court decision may be of some help to them in their arguments before Judge C. H. Smith.

I will also appreciate it if you will ask Mr. Glasgow to kindly send me one copy of the decision of the Accra Assize Court in this case, which I am sure will be of interest to the courts of the United States if a similar case should come up in this country.

The decision in the case of State v. Harris does not tell us what eventually happened to Mr. Harris. Actually, there were only two alternatives open to the Court. Either the Court set him free entirely, or it had him examined to determine whether his mental condition was such as to make him dangerous to the public. If he were examined by mental experts and found to be dangerous to the public, he could then be committed to a mental institution for that reason, until such time as it was felt he was no longer dangerous.

Theoretically, this may seem like the best solution to the problem. But actually, it is not a good solution at all. Personally, I think this case sets forth a very bad and a very dangerous rule of law. As a particular matter, what this case means is that any uneducated deaf-mute person who is accused of a serious crime will automatically end up in a mental institution as being "dangerous to the public." As a practical matter, the State will not release him entirely because to do that would be the same as giving him a license to commit murder. In every case, what will actually happen is that the deafmute will be put into an institution.

This means that merely because he was accused of a crime; without any proof, without a trial, without any kind of protection whatsoever, the deaf-mute will automatically be put away in a mental institution for many years or

for life. This would be an intolerable situation.

It would be very simple for anyone to make a false accusation against a deaf-mute and in this way have him automatically committed to an institution. It would be completely unjust to permit this. Instead of protecting the deaf-mute against false accusations, this rule of law would actually give him no protection at all. Instead of being better off under this rule, the deaf-mute would actually be much worse off.

The only real solution to this problem is to give the deaf-mute the very best available interpreter, and the very best available defense lawyer, and any other help that he needs; and then let the trial proceed. The State should be required to prove the guilt of the accused deaf-mute beyond a reasonable doubt. In determining whether the guilt of the deaf-mute has been properly proven, the Judge and the Jury should keep in mind the handicap that the deaf-mute has in presenting his side of the case.

Under these circumstances and with this protection, the deaf-mute should stand his trial just like anyone else. If he is found guilty, he should accept his punishment. If he is found innocent (or if guilt is not proven against him), then he should be freed entirely.

An accused deaf person (whether educated or not) should not be "protected" in such way that he is actually "railroaded" into a mental institution. This is exactly what the deaf people have been trying to get away from for the past 200 years.

An accused deaf person should get a fair trial. He is not entitled to more than that, and he certainly should not be given less than that.

And, so I remain,

Respectfully yours, Lowell J. Myers, Attorney at Law.

## Deaf-Mutes in Russian Literature

By OSCAR GUIRE

One of the minor characters in Boris Pasternak's *Doctor Zhivago* is a young deaf man named Maxim (pages 158-165). He and Zhivago meet on a train and talk about revolutions and other things. Maxim reads lips well, but his voice is defective and unpleasant. His personality is disagreeable. He is pro-Bolshevik while Zhivago is anti-Bolshevik. For no apparent reason Maxim carries a card of a two-hand alphabet in his pocket. The doctor does not understand Maxim's silence in darkness until he is shown the card.

Pasternak is a poet and a translator of foreign poetry. He has written only one novel. It has not been published in its original language, Russian. It was first published in an Italian translation in 1957. In 1958. he was awarded the Nobel Prize in literature. Under the pressure of criticism at home he renounced the prize. In 1958 half a million copies of an English translation were printed.

I have met four deaf-mute characters in Russian literature. Pasternak's Maxim is the worst one. The best one is Turgenev's Gerasim. He is the remarkable serf hero of the short novel Mu-Mu. Some of his signs are described in detail. Carlyle, the famous British philosopher, called the novel

the saddest story ever written. It is a dog story with a strange romance with a serf girl worked in. Gerasim has no education, but he sees that there is something to oral speech. For calling his dog he makes a sound which sounds like "mu-mu."

Some readers may consider Gerasim to be an impossible character, too good. He is intelligent and develops a high moral sense. The old Russian novelists are considered to be realists, and the Turgenev family owned a large number of serfs.

There is also a little deaf girl in another novel by Turgenev. I do not remember the title. Her part is unimportant.

There is a deaf girl named in Leo Tolstoi's Cossacks. Her part is minor. The way she talks to her brother in signs is interesting. For Chen-Chen she uses two signs which the American deaf would use for naked head. The author was a young officer in the Russian army stationed in the Cossack country at a time when there was a bloody feud between the Christian valley-dwelling Cossacks and the Moslem mountaineer Chen-Chens. The latter shaved their heads.

## The Educational Front and Parents' Department By W. T. Griffing, Editor

We are not going to say a thing about dead lines this time, so if you can likewise overcome the temptation to let the family skeleton out of the closet we might get somewhere with this.



W. T. GRIFFING

Here we sit trying to coax some enthusiasm into our tired shell after a happy and profitable session at the 39th biennial meeting of the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf, at Colorado

Springs. What are you doing? Whatever it may be, the three R's and all of their assorted cousins are going to descend on you with the force of a spent avalanche. Should you fall asleep before we do, we will not blame you one wee bit. We are that generous!

#### Is your dollar at work for the deaf?

Almost everybody else was at the meeting. If you did not see us, it was because the carnation we had promised to wear didn't bring us up to par among all of those dignitaries who make our schools tick. We did try hard to be in several places at the same time, but we had to admit one R at a fling was the limit.

It was a pleasure to count so many bright and smiling faces, to catch so many eager elbows in the pit of the stomach or the ribs, to be pounded on the back by what seemed to be steamshovels bent on pulverizing a skyscraper with one blow, and to engage in conversation with some of the finest people on the face of the globe.

If you missed all of this despite the fact we warned you to be sure to be in Colorado Springs, then you should be working overtime on that self-kicking machine which will propel you all the way to Pumpkin Center. If you need help, contact Carl Smith, Devils Lake, North Dakota. His machine can send you way past Borneo!

## To what better use could you put a dollar?

Roy Stelle, convention host, stood throughout the meeting with all the majesty of Pikes Peak. When he shook hands, you were transplanted to a choice spot in the Garden of the Gods; when he beamed that famous 24-karat smile, you thought of all the brilliance of Seven Falls in the sunlight. He brought things to us on a silver platter, and he was actually glad to do it. We doff our Alpine hat to him!

#### We can't be Abou Ben Adhem, sure, but we can make Coats' Honor Roll!

Roy had a super corps of helpers at his command. They took care of our fumbling and our grumbling when/if any showed up. The most compatible person seemed to be that Tom Fishler who could produce a typewriter, an aspirin, or a Blue Jay corn plaster all at a moment's notice. His moustache didn't bat an eyelash at the most outrageous of demands. It was like that all down the line. With such cooperation, we now marvel that Oklahoma has beaten Colorado so many times.

#### Dallas, in 1960, is your meat!

We were impressed by the great number of young teachers, many of them just starting out. We were even more impressed by their reception at the hands of the old guard. This is a good sign. The vowels and the consonants and those misused signs had better watch out because the whole lot of us, young and old, mean business. We did like the willingness to help and to counsel by those who have been long on the road, and we liked even more the eagerness with which the youngsters drank in every word, or sign. Did you catch this phase of the meeting?

## George isn't the one to do it! You are!!

The weather was real nice, that is, outside of the downpour the night of the Chuck Wagon dinner at the Garden of the Gods. Our friends from Colorado put it this way: that rain was worth a million to the state. They offered no apologies and expressed no regrets that several of us had to wallow in the mud while trying to get back to those busses which waited for us with all the resignation of a tired mother of a staggering brood. Because our Colorado friends delighted in that rain, we blew noses with added gusto to celebrate the advent of pesky colds in our domain.

## The Silent Worker needs subscriptions, articles, and more subscriptions.

After the opening session at which oratory flowed almost as generously as the perspiration, all of us were guests of the school at an outdoor reception. The wind took a sudden notion to kick

up its heels, the results being that the ladies—bless 'em—were torn between the desire to hold down skirts or to keep that permanent shipshape. This wind prompted someone to remark that Fred Sparks, New York, had blown into town, and sure enough! there he was giving his usual peerless brand of oratory.

## The NAD needs guys like you. You have ideas and a dollar. It can use both.

Sunday afternoon, after that wrestling bout with the registration line, the sectional and workshop leaders were taken in hand by Dr. Richard Brill, program chairman, who proceeded to give us the facts with neatness and dispatch. Right then and there did we realize we had our work cut out for us. We liked the sudden baptism into the realities of the convention, and we liked the effectiveness of the workshops as the days went by. Our vote is that this type of meeting should continue because we get more out of it. The members are more relaxed, too. with a willingness to let down their hair if need be in the presence of a small group of participants, each one becoming a good friend if not already that in the beginning. How did this hit you?

## If the deaf cannot help themselves, who can?

We cannot do justice to the meeting at one sitting, so while the three R's are at the swimming pool or out trying to catch some fish, we propose to take you behind the scenes at Colorado Springs, to try to show you why we are all so proud to be in this work of educating the deaf, and why we think we are fortunate to be associated with some of the nicest people you could hope to find anywhere.

We think that, gradually, there is coming into play a better feeling between all of us, and that the otherfellow is becoming more tolerant of the other who does not exactly see eyes to eye with him on matters pertaining to our work. When the time comes, when all of us can feel that there is a lot of good in everyone and everything, with each of us pulling like sixty at the traces, our old buggy is going to travel at a fast clip down the educational road. Let us realize there is work for all of us, that it is not cricket. to the deaf children to just talk about doing it, but to do it to the best of our ability. That, friend, will be education to the profit of the deaf children, no matter by what system they are taught. (More convention news next time.) -WTG



## Random Jottings

By Bernard Teitelbaum

4014 Saline Street Pittsburgh 17, Pennsylvania

In one of those tall apartment buildings so common in New York City, lived a prosperous office worker, up on the 25th floor. Every morning upon leaving his apartment for work, he rode effortlessly down in the elevator. But, coming home he would take the elevator up to the 20th floor and "hoof it" to the 25th floor. However inconvenient and frustrating, it was the unvarying practice.

Why not ride all way up to the 25th floor, you may ask. We ask you to answer this question. And, if you are unable to figure it out, we give it at the end of the next item. In the meantime, no peeping, please!

In the December 1958 issue of The Silent Worker, Director of the NAD Membership Promotion G. Dewey Coats hands out kudos to all who helped increase NAD membership during the year 1958 and bring about ratification of the new NAD Constitution.

Among the names given bold face treatment, one was missing—the name of a hustler, equally energetic, if not more so, with all the rest. We happen to know that the man involved is a very busy man who did find the time to go here and there in the interests of the NAD. We believe his name should be included with all the rest. We believe that modesty prevented the Director from mentioning it. We repeat: We believe it should be there and we give it:

#### G. DEWEY COATS

It was one of those automatic elevators and our man was a midget unable to reach above the 20th floor button.

The mail one day recently brought clippings from Harry Belsky of New York and a brother of the writer in Alexandria, Virginia, Louis M. Teitelbaum. The clippings dealt with a wide variety of situations dealing with the deaf.

In a bold five-column headline, the New York Post for Sunday, December 7, 1958, stunned and shocked the deaf community with the announcement of the fatal stabbing of a deaf boy, 14, the previous Friday. Oscar Figueroa was a fail young boy whose deafness frequently made him the target of neighborhood toughies. Oscar was docile, of slender build, and would run home from a fight rather than stand his ground.

Quoting the article, "When police arrived, Figueroa made gestures in an apparent effort to tell about the stabbing. And, apparently none was around who could understand him. He died while being rushed to Harlem Hospital.

Street gangs said to operate in the neighborhood were suspected of the crime, but no definite suspect had been apprehended by the police.

A deaf woman, Eleanor Wetzel, a teacher at Gallaudet College, was thrown to the ground by a boy about 14 years old and robbed of her handbag containing a considerable amount of money. The handbag was recovered later by the police, but a wallet containing the money was missing.

The Washington Post for November 26, 1958, reported from Gorham, Maine, under dateline of November 25, that deaf Russell Wolcott Moses, 65, told police that he had hammered to death his wife, Lulu, about 55, and his crippled daughter, Frances, 36.

Moses had seen his father buried the previous Sunday. He awoke at 4:30 the day of the murders and found he "couldn't stand the pressure," as he told the police.

Moses, not long before, had lost the sight of one eye and could not drive his car. And, he had been treated by a doctor for a nervous condition. The doctor stated that Moses had been despondent.

Another young lady, also connected with Gallaudet College, likewise was in the news—her case carried a happier note.

Agnes Marie Dunn of Nebraska, an outstanding hazel-eyed senior athlete at Gallaudet College, on Sunday, November 23, 1958, got a glowing write-up in the Washington Post and Times Herald, under a four-column photo of bespectacled Agnes Marie racing down a clear hockey field, looking as if she had just scored a goal for her side.

The article contained a sparkling recount of Marie's accomplishments as an athlete and as a student. She has held an impressive number of team captaincies in various sports for women and has assumed a number of offices in extra-curricular activities such as president of the Women's Athletic Association, editor of women's sports for the Buff and Blue, etc.

Agnes Marie hopes to teach at her Alma Mater in Nebraska next fall after her graduation at Gallaudet.

Another clipping, captioned: Priest Brings Joyful Message, Life—in Sign Language—tells of the reprieve of two deaf brothers from a death sentence imposed in Columbus, Ohio, for a murder committed on April 10, 1957.

According to newspaper reports, the brothers had obtained a sum of money by passing a bad check on the unfortunate victim and the crime occurred when the woman pressed for the return of her money.

Deaf people in those communities where this was reported in the papers followed it with keen interest from its inception and there were lively comments on the commutation.

"Science Speaks for Deaf Boy, 9" starts another clipping.

The boy, Albert Saunders, a pupil of the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf, was struck by a hit and run truck on February 1, 1958. He was hurled 82 feet and was in a coma 16 days in the hospital to which he was taken.

Science, in the person of a County Crime Laboratory technician, testified at a hearing that fibers matching clothing worn by the boy the night he was struck were found embedded in the front of a truck parked at the home of the owner.

At the hearing, Mrs. Leslie Chamberlain acted as interpreter. Mrs. Chamberlain is dean of girls at the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf and very adept in the use of the sign language.

The owner of the truck was found guilty of hit-run and aggravated assault and battery in the case. Sentence was deferred pending an appeal.

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There are about 850,000 hard of hearing children in the United States, according to "a filler" in a recent issue of the Pittsburgh (Pa.) Press. We presume this includes children so hard of hearing they are, to use a rather recently coined phrase, profoundly deaf—in other words, totally deaf.

## Kansas Association of the Deaf to Observe Its Golden Jubilee

By GEORGETTA GRAYBILL

When the Kansas Association of the Deaf holds its fifteenth triennial convention at Hotel Broadview, Wichita, August 14-16, it will also observe its Golden Jubilee. Some 400 convention visitors are expected from Kansas and numerous other states.

Co-Chairmen Francis Srack and Wilbur Ruge and their able assistants have arranged an enjoyable and profitable convention. The 50th birthday of the KAD will come in for considerable attention.

Tradition has it that the first organized meeting of the deaf of Kansas was conceived in the brilliant mind of J. J. Dold, a teacher in the Kansas School for the Deaf, and it was held in Wichita on July 4, 1909. Riverside Park, with its large shelter house near the Arkansas River, proved to be an ideal location for the first meeting, being easily reached by all modes of transportation at that time. Twenty early graduates of the Kansas School formed the Central Kansas Association of the Deaf to

provide social contacts and to create closer relationships with the School in Olathe.

Temporary officers were elected after Mr. (now Rev.) Homer E. Grace made a motion to that effect. Emmett W. Simpson was named temporary chairman and then chairman. Miss Iona A. Tate (now Mrs. Iona A. Simpson, of Denver) was named secretary. A committee of three, Mr. Dold, Mrs. Isom P. Haworth, and Mr. Grace, recommended a constitution patterned after that of the Illinois Association of the Deaf. A few changes were made to meet the needs of Kansas.

Chairman Simpson appointed William E. Wait temporary treasurer, and a recess was called to enable all who wished to do so to pay dues and thereby become charter members. Forty-two signed up, and the following were elected the first officers of the Association: J. J. Dold, president; Miss Iona A. Tate, first vice president; Edward S.

Paxton, second vice president; Emmett W. Simpson, secretary; and William E. Wait, treasurer. The name of the organization became the Kansas Association of the Deaf, which was incorporated January 25, 1910.

In 1911 the KAD affiliated with the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf having become a member of the Century Club. The KAD also endorsed the National Farternal Society of the Deaf while the late Dr. Arthur L. Roberts, subsequently a NFSD Grand President, was a teacher in the Kansas School, of which he was a graduate, and a division secretary of the NFSD.

Conventions were held annually, biennially, and finally triennially—depending on circumstances such as the depression years, World War II, and the like. Much credit is due the late Edward S. Foltz who alone virtually held the KAD together for about 16 years. He never missed a convention and was president five terms His great

This rare old picture was taken on July 4, 1909, in Riverside Park in Wichita when the Kansas Association of the Deaf held its first meeting. When the Kansas Association of the Deaf meets in Wichita August 14-16, three of the founders—the Rev. Homer E. Grace, Mrs. Iona A. Simpson, and Emmett W. Simpson—are expected to be on hand.

We regret that we have no identification to accompany this picture.



interest in the KAD should inspire others to greater efforts.

The objects of the Kansas Association of the Deaf are to bring all the deaf of the state together for mutual assistance, for social purposes, and for united action on measures relating to the deaf. There are now four funds in the treasury: a General Fund, an Emergency Fund, a Plaque Fund, and a Convention Fund.

There are four persons immortalized or to be immortalized with plaques at the Kansas School for the Deaf: Philip A. Emery, the founder of the Kansas School, for whom the new primary building was named in 1950; Mrs. Philip Emery, the first housemother at KSD (the plaque being held up until 1961 when KSD will be 100 years old); Dr. Arthur L. Roberts, late Grand President of the NFSD, whose name will be given the new school building late this year; and another famous alumnus of the Kansas School, Luther "Dummy" Taylor, who did much to promote sportsmanship and clean living while coach at KSD. The new gymnasium and swimming pool will have a plaque bearing the name when completed in 1961. This building was supposed to have been built at once, but the Board of Regents decided that a new school building was more urgently needed due to fire hazards.

Dr. Powrie V. Doctor, of Gallaudet College, offered the motion for these plaques and the naming of buildings for the four persons thus honored.

Second Vice President of the NAD David Peikoff, of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, has accepted an invitation to speak at the forthcoming convention.

Registration will be conducted all day at the Broadview Hotel on Friday, August 14, with a reception set for the evening. Business meetings will be held all day Saturday. The Grand Ball will be held that night. The Rev. Homer E. Grace, Mrs. Iona A. Simpson, and Emmett W. Simpson, of Oakland, California, three of the founders of the KAD plan to attend.

Come to Wichita and help the KAD celebrate its Golden Jubilee. If I went west, I think I would go to Kansas.—ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

#### FLASH ...

By drawng his remaining game with Gemar, Loco Ladner took the title as champion of the Fifth Annual Chess Tournament of the Deaf with a final score of 7-1.



By "Loco" Ladner



We are pleased to present to you John William Bostwick of Pataskala, Ohio, who is currently playing in the A Tournament. He has won first place in one of our B tournaments.

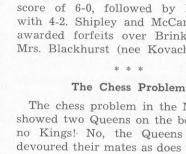
John was born December 12, 1890, in Newark, Ohio. He lost his hearing from brain fever at the age of six. He entered the Ohio School for the Deaf and was graduated in 1910. He has been married for 25 years. He owns the Bostwick Memorials which his father established in 1888. John attends to the sandblasting and lettering of the mounments while his nephew Paul is the salesman.

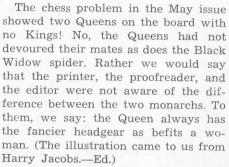
John learned to play chess from Mr. Odebrecht (deceased), a teacher at the Ohio School, and has been playing ever since. He used to belong to the Columbus Chess and Checker Club and also to the Newark Chess and Checker Club. He has been playing checkers with his friends in Pataskala for years.

In 1911 John made a monoplane but never tried to fly it.

Unfortunately John has not saved the scores of his many games, and later we shall publish one of his winning games in our tournament.

The picture shows John and his wife,





Here is another problem: White men are encircled.

White to play and mate in two moves.



MR. BOSTWICK

and we congratulate them on their 25th anniversary. Long life and good health to both!

#### Fifth National Tournament Results

Ladner won two from Bostwick, one from Gemar, and took 11/2 points from Rosenkjar, who in turn defeated Gemar. So Loco leads with 6½-½ and one game to go while the others have these scores: Rosenkjar, 1½-1½; Bruner, 2-3; Gemar, 1-3; Bostwick, 0-3.

The B Tournament ended with Ed Shipley the winner with the perfect score of 6-0, followed by McCarthy with 4-2. Shipley and McCarthy were awarded forfeits over Brinkman and Mrs. Blackhurst (nee Kovach).



#### QUESTIONS AND OPINIONS

## Parliamentary Procedure

By Edwin M. Hazel
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"Prejudice can be symptoms of an emotional disorder. People frequently make unfair distinctions against others to cover ther own feeling of inferiority or to gain recognition in a group."—The Chicago Municipal Court's Psychiatric Institute.—The Chicago Daily News, 3-7-59.

Q. A committee was authorized to buy a television set worth two hundred and fifty dollars. Now some members would like to use part of the money for another purpose. May this order to buy a television set be rescinded (cancelled)?

A. Yes. The unexecuted part of the order may be rescinded by a two-thirds vote and the rest of the money used for another purpose, provided an agreement in the form of a contract is not connected with the order.

Q. What is the difference between a precedent and a rule?—McD.

A. A precedent is an unwritten law or a custom established by past procedure or action. An established precedent often serves as an example or authority to guide the course in a future similar situation. When new situations arise, different from any past ones, a new precedent may be, and often is, set. Robert's says, "An established custom carries all the force of a rule . . . until an organization finds it necessary to vary from it."

Q. Please tell us the real cause of failure among clubs (organizations).— New Club President.

A. There are many causes—chief of which are as follows:

(1) Lack of understanding of the value of fundamental principles of parliamentary law. Parliamentary law is, in sense, really the rules of the game of democracy, comparable to the technical rules of various games such as baseball, football, basketball, cards, and many others. A meeting without rules to guide us is just like a ship without a compass. The enforcement of parliamentary rules is absolutely necessary to insure fairness, equality, harmony, and fraternal spirit among the members. Not only this, but it also protects the rights of the assembly (organization); the rights of members; and the rights of minority. Men and women have been steadily learning to respect the rights of others in defending their own cause. It is now an essential part of our daily life. It would be wonderful if every school for the deaf had a parliamentary law class like many public schools, colleges, and universities now have.

"Knowledge, in truth, is the greatest sun in the firmament. Life and power are scattered with all its beams."— DANIEL WEBSTER.

#### TRUE or FALSE

(Read the correct answers on Page 18)

T F 1. When a question (motion) was put to vote and only one member voted for it and all other members remained silent, the motion was legally adopted.

T F 2. It is necessary for the Chair to state a question, when seconded, before calling for debate.

T F 3. A law in Robert's Rules of Order is higher ranking law than a club's rule (any organization's).

T F 4. Any member may move to take the tabled motion from the table.

T F 5. It is **necessary** to ask the permission of the seconder before the mover may withdraw his motion.

T F 6. Discussions and speeches about nominees are not in order.

T F 7. It is out of order to name a member in debate.

T F 8. An election was almost completed. A member who became restless moved to elect the last two officers by show of hands instead of by ballot as the bylaws require. The assembly was unanimous in wanting the treasurer and financial secretary. The ballot could be ignored.

T F 9. A member has the right to vote against his own motion in case he changes his mind after debate.

T F 10. The real purpose of a motion to lay on the table is to lay aside the matter temporarily or seek to make a temporary disposition of it before the assembly passes upon it by a final vote.

#### Death Claims G. W. Anderson, Former Kansas Printing Instructor

Word has been received at the Kansas State School for the Deaf of the death of Gust Walfrid Anderson, 87, formerly of Olathe, who died May 7 at his home in Chanute.

The son of Gust of and Lena Anderson, he was born October 12, 1871, in East Gary, Indiana, and came to Kansas as a small child. The family settled in Greenwood County. At the age of 11 years, he was sent to the Kansas State School for the Deaf where he was graduated with high honors in 1892.

He was married March 11, 1894, in Stillwater, Oklahoma, to Jessie Louise Stephenson, daughter of the late Jesse A. Stephenson, register of deeds of Johnson County from 1885 to 1889, and niece of W. P. K. Hedrick, sheriff from 1883 to 1887.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson began housekeeping on a farm near White City Kansas. Later they moved to Olathe where he was gardener and floriculturist at the State School for the Deaf.

After a few years at the State School for the Deaf Mr. Anderson resigned to accept a position with the Olathe News-Herald, working for William A. Mitchell, J. L. Lyons, and Charles Sprague who were successfully at the helm of the Mirror.

In 1901 he was appointed instructor of printing at the State School for the Deaf. From 1901 to 1916 the Kansas Star, the school paper, was a bi-weekly publication which soon became one of the best publications among the schools for the deaf throughout the country.

In 1916 Mr. Anderson resigned his position at the State School for the Deaf to go to Chanute to work at a wholesale grocery warehouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on March 11. A few years back Governor Schoeppel and Senator Carlson sent them a congratulatory message on one of their wedding anniversaries.

Mr. Anderson is survived by his wife of Chanute and a daughter, Mrs. Carl Holman of Gravois Mills, Missouri. He was preceded in death by two sons, Gust W., Jr., and Festus S. Anderson.

Burial was at Versailles, Missouri.

-William Marra

The above item appeared in the Johnson County (Kansas) Democrat of May 21, 1959. Mr. Anderson will be remembered by many residents and former residents of Kansas and neighboring states.



# SWinging round the nation



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DEADLINE FOR NEWS IS THE 15th OF EACH MONTH

#### ARKANSAS . . .

Little Rock has been absent from these columns for a long, long time. We were front page news for a while, and for the geographically unlearned, the name "Little Rock" is no longer just a dot on the map. In spite of all the fanfare and publicity our town has received, the deaf folks who live here seem to lead a placid existence. News is on the scarce side, but since there seems to be a request for even the tiniest morsels, we shall try to please the SW readers by passing on the little we know.

To make some of our readers really feel their age, we want to tell you that the following three "babies" are Gallaudet-bound come September. Judy Westfall, Alice Crow, and Freddie Drake graduated from ASD in May, and along with seven other smart seniors passed the college entrance exams. Proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Westfall, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Crow, and Mr. and Mrs. Race Drake.

The Race Drakes have remodeled the house they purchased, and they were tendered a housewarming. The local deaf came by to inspect the gleaming quarters, and the Drakes received a gift of cash.

By the time this is printed the Arkansas Association of the Deaf will have had another successful reunion. Friends from far and near converged on the School to have a rip-roaring get-together.

The Misses DeArmon, Mildred. Louise, and Doris, have purchased a lovely brick home in the Kingwood

Shirley Hanrahan, a Gallaudet senior from Kansas, is spending the summer months in Little Rock. She is sharing Betty Crow's apartment, and was lucky enough to secure employment with the Library Commission.

You should have seen the looks of sheer happiness on the faces of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Fulmer when Mr. Fulmer snagged the biggest bass he has ever caught in his years and years and years of fishing. This ain't no fish story. We saw the picture of the fish. The Fulmers spent most of their weekends angling, and we are hoping they get another big one real soon.

The Luther Shibleys moved to a

smaller house and let their daughter and her family live in their big house. Harryetta has three lively youngsters. husband is manager of a local bowling alley, and he is full of plans to induce the deaf in Little Rock to take up bowling in a big way. The sport doesn't seem to be very popular with the folks here. We do have three avid bowlers. Girtha Mae Clark, Hazel Athy, and Charles Athy who still has strikes galore in spite of his age

which is a deep dark secret.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Walls made a trip to Washington, D. C., to visit Mrs. Walls' daughter and her family, the Jerome Drakes. Mr. Walls has retired from the printing trade and is taking from the printing trade and is taking

life easy these days.
Mr. and Mrs. Ted Marsden are spending the summer in Hartford, Connecticut. Mr. Marsden's father has been ill for some time, and they want to be with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Craig of El Dorado have purchased a home in Little Rock.

The Rev. Silas Hirte of St. Louis is a regular monthly visitor in Little Rock. His visits are looked forward to not only by the members of his church but by the many friends he has in Little Rock.

Howard Poe is attending vocational school brushing up on his upholstery knowledge. He will be instructor in upholstery at ASD when school opens in September.

The Poes' darling little boy is looking forward to having a baby sister in August.

Victor Bulloch and his wife, Caroline, are ardent do-it-yourself fans. They had such wonderful success in painting the interior or their house that they decided to give the outside a face-lifting, too. You must come by and see the job the they did. It's such a good one that we decided to hire them to do the same to our house, but they regretfully declined! Some folks are mean.

Arthur Smith has been designated as delegate to the Frat Convention in Detroit, and he and Mrs. Smith are eagerly looking forward to making the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Tubb are wearing smiles of pride. Their son-in-law graduated from the School of Dentistry at Washington University in St. Louis, and he is setting up his practice in Arkansas. If you ever get a toothache while you are here, you will know where to go. The Tubbs' son Norman was elected president of the Student Council at Benton High School and was also a delegate to Boy's State, which is guite a honor in Arkansas. Keep your eye on young Norman. We think he is going to end up in the White House!

Jimmy and Marfa Smith had their daughter, Drucilla, and her family for a visit. Dru's husband is a lieutenant colonel in the SAC and is stationed in Oklahoma. Jimmy and Marfa are proud as punch of their granddaughter Jane. She won first place in a local spelling bee, coming ahead of contestants who were older than she.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Adcock are grandparents. Their daughter Jody has a baby who is as Irish as his name, Michael Patrick McFarlin.

Miss Carmen Slaven made a stopover in Little Rock to visit with her many friends on her way home from supervisory duties at the Florida School. She will spend the summer months living the life of a lady of leisure. How lucky can you get???

Larry Stewart, who teaches science at ASD and hails from Texas, seems to like Arkansas in spite of all those Texas tales you hear. He is going to remain in Little Rock during summer. He plays baseball for a local amateur team, and what he does the rest of the time is anybody's guess.

Gertrude Hill has been ill with arthritis. She is working part time now, but we hope that won't be long. She does like to keep active in spite of her age, and she puts all us younger people to shame with her unbounding agility.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bell of Jackson, Mississippi, are with us for the three months of vacation. They are a big asset to the deaf community in Little Rock, and we will be happy when they make their home permanently in LR.

Mr. and Mrs. Estil Letcher added a big room to their lovely home, which makes it still lovelier and of course much bigger. The Letchers went to Memphis for the Frat banquet and reported an enjoyable weekend visiting with the Kenneth McBrides.

Many thanks goes to Charlotte Collums of Little Rock for bringing us up to date on the deaf in Little Rock. Any contributions of news should be sent to her.

#### CALIFORNIA . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunlap of Baldwin Park were the center of loving attention Sunday afternoon, May 31, when they received the warm congratulations of friends at an open house marking their 35th wedding anniversary. Co-hosts were the couple's daughand son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harris, at whose lovely home in Glendora the gathering took place, and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunlap, Jr. Assisting happily were their five grandchildren who saw to it that each guest was served with huge slices of cake and tall glasses of iced punch. A huge three-tiered cake was cut by Mr. and Mrs. Dunlap in addition to a large one inscribed with the names of the couple, and a photograph taken at the time of their marriage in 1923 was prominently dis-They received a beautiful played. silver coffee service from their children in addition to numerous other



Bill and Mary Frances Brightwell express delighted surprise at the housewarming given them by their friends at their lovely home in South Pasadena Sunday, April 26.

gifts and cards from well-wishers all

over the southland.

John Curtin of South Gate postals from Merida, Yucatan, where he is vacationing. John plans to return via Vera Cruz and Mexico City.

The Home Neighborhood Society for the Deaf held its annual picnic at Lynnwood City Park Sunday, June 7, with Jack Hedden again doing the honors. This was their third such gathering, and the crowd seems to grow larger each year.

and Beverly Lamberton Charles were tendered a surprise housewarming Sunday afternoon, May 17, at their new home in nearby Rivera. Friends came in droves to admire the new house and spend an enjoyable afternoon under the ministrations of Mesdames Brinker, Skedsmo, Willey, Ban-nister, Colby, Poch, Rattan, Pokorak, Leon, Putman, DeMartini, and Martha McLaughlin who made up the list of hostesses responsible for the happy event.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wiens of Taft and Pop and Ginger Nelson of Bakersfield were down to take in the big CAD show at Patriotic Hall in Los Angeles the night of May 16, and we ran into old friends Charles and Bea Varnes at the dance later that night held at the Commodore Hotel. It had been ages since many of us had seen the Varneses.

The President Taft sailed into Los Angeles harbor May 29, and Iva De-Martini was at the dock to meet husband Ed and take him home to Monterey Park for a three-day leave. Ed brought Iva a brand new typewriter from overseas as a birthday gift, Iva having celebrated her natal day on the 28th. All of us were glad to see Ed as always and sorry to see him sail June 1.

Wednesday evening, May 27, a bunch of close friends gathered at the De-Martini home in Monterey Park to surprise Iva with a small party for her birthday and found Iva had gone to the

beauty shop to get her hair done in anticipation of husband Ed's visit home. The John Fails, Belle Tyhurst, Esther Mintz, the Robert Dunlaps, Joe and Cora Park, Ivan Nunn, Glen Orton, Mrs. Forrest Jackson, and the George B. Elliotts sat around waiting until almost 10 p.m. when Iva came home to be greeted with shouts and gailywrapped packages. With such a late start, the party didn't break up until past midnight which was mighty hard on the folks who had to work the next morning. But, remember, Iva didn't know what was cooking!

Big event sponsored by the Orange County Chapter of the California As-sociation of the Deaf at Honold's Hut in Garden Grove the night of June 20. The crowd was treated to the Gallaudet College Dramatic Club's movie, "Oedi-

pus the King."

Los Angeles Ephpheta Society of the Deaf entertained a good crowd at their 10th Annual Ball Saturday, May 23, at the Studio Carpenters Hall on Santa Monica Boulevard. Dancing, a raffle, door prizes, and refreshments were enjoyed in addition to an all-star floor show. Praise goes to young James Ripplinger who chairmanned the event.

It was a big weekend June 20 when the Greater Los Angeles Deaf Bowlers Association staged their seventh annual singles handicap classic sanctioned by the ABC and the WIBC. Joe DiVita was in charge of the tourney which was most successful although we do not have the list of those who bowled their way into the prize money. A benefit raffle and Summer Dance at the Los Angeles Club ended the gather-

ing which attracted quite a crowd.
Plans for the 1960 CAD convention down in San Diego continue apace with Chairman Marvin Thompson taking time out in mid-July to fly east with a stopover to see his mother in Little Rock. When he gets back home, Mary Ellen and daughter Carolyn will be waiting for him to drive them up to San Francisco where they plan to visit for a few days. Latest news of the Thompsons is that Mary Ellen is taking a course in typing and plans to return to work having fully recovered from a recent back ailment.

Clyde Houze of El Cajon, president of the San Diego CAD Chapter underwent surgery in mid-May and was unable to get up to Los Angeles to take in the big CAD show May 16. Mrs. Houze came up with Ivo Johnson and the Marvin Thompsons. The Edward Peteks also drove up as did many other folks from San Diego. Folks are still talking about the good show put on by the San Diego Chapter May 16, especially the part enacted by Donna Hedge. Donna was really good as were the others in the act, Henry Johnson, Marilyn Lewis, Flo Petek, and Vin and Peggie Neitzie.

Loel Schreiber, Roberta Wiens, Annabelle Fahr, and Ginger Nelson pause in the midst of their duties as hostesses at the Brightwell housewarming to pose for a photograph. Loel and Anna are from West Los Angeles, and Roberta and Ginger came down from Bakersfield for the party. Peggy Rattan of Los Angeles was hospitalized just prior to the party and was unable to attend.

Speaking of the recent CAD show, it was a hum-dinger with plays enacted by various chapters up and down the State of California. The Riverside group won the "Caddy" for the best skit and cinched it when Helen Arbuthnot and Larry Newman won the best actress and actor awards. Everyone of the 700 seats at Patriotic Hall were filled for the show which was directed by capable young Bill Brightwell. Bill, himself, won an award when Jerry Fail called him on stage to present him with a plaque, suitably engraved, from the CAD Board in appreciation of his tireless efforts in making May 16 a night to remember. Other members of the Riverside Chapter's prize-winning cast were Burton Schmidt, Evan Ellis, Carl Barber, Mike Wukadnovich, and Ailene Schmidt.

Forrest Jackson and Elaine Winicki in "A Year's Supply" came near to winning the 1959 "Caddy" award as did Joe and Bonnie Velez in their skit, "The Story With No End." Melvin Schwartz of the Los Angeles Chapter did real well with a pantomime, and Eric and Mary Malzkhun of San Maeto starred in "Mr. Bumble Wants A Job." Orange County Chapter sent Howard Holmes and James McKenna, and their "Howie's Blooming Band" caught the fancy of everyone as did South Bay Chapter's "Toyland Frolic" featuring Lynton Rider, Lois Hite, Bea Morgan, Charles Ashley, Betty Robertson, and Eldon Wormley. Jerry Lewis came on stage in "Guess Who" enacted by Bert Grossman of Hollywood, and Long Beach gave the final skit aptly entitled "Before the Curtain Falls" with Joe Park, Gloria Koukoutsakis, Lewis Landin, and Neal Letterman cavorting before the footlights.

For our money, laugh of the evening were the antics of San Francisco's Frank Roberts and Winona Chick of the Sacramento Chapter. Skits by Frank laid 'em in the aisle, and Pres. Herb Schreiber never did get through with the initial introduction when the curtain came up, thanks to Frank and his impromptu doings. Backstage credits for work with the lighting, the curtain, costumes, scenery, and all the





David Longoria and his bride, the former Kitty Johnson of the Missouri and Riverside, California, Schools, are shown at the time of their marriage in Las Vegas, Nevada in 1957. Mr. and Mrs. Longoria are now living in Gardena, a suburb of Los Angeles, and recently became the parents of a baby girl, Valentine Vida.

rest that goes into the staging of a successful show were given Henry Winicki, Earl Harmonson, Alex Brogan, Jerry Post, Barbara Babbini, Mary Frances Blackwell, Geraldine Fail, and Frank Luna. Plans for a similar production are now underway for sometime in November up in Oakland or San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. David Longoria of Gardena welcomed their first baby, Valentine Vida, February 11. Mrs. Longoria was the former Kitty Johnson of Missouri, and David graduated from the Berkeley School. Kitty later attended the Riverside School where she graduated in June, 1957, and married David in Las Vegas the following September with Billy Blackburn, Bert Hall, Patsy Bull, Nicky Longoria, and Caroline Skedsmo going along to help the two young people start out on the right foot. David is a star player on the Inglewood Club's basketball team while Kitty is the Club's secretary.

Around fifty close friends of Bill and Mary Frances "Muffy" Brightwell gathered April 26 at their lovely home in South Pasadena, replying to invita-tions sent out by Anna Fahr, Loel Schreiber, Roberta Wiens, and Ginger Nelson. Bill and Muffy's surprise was complete, and they spent a wonderful afternoon showing off their really beautiful home to the guests and listening to the compliments with beaming faces. Only thing to mar the afternoon was the absence of vivacious Peggy Rattan who was to assist the other four girls as hostesses. Peggy was confined to the hospital suffering from a severe hip ailment later defined as sciatica. Gifts and cards were piled high, and Bill and Mary have since spent many happy hours going over them again one by one and reliving that wonderful afterand best friends paid them such a happy visit. John and Roberta Wiens came down from Taft, and Pop and Ginger Nelson travelled all the way from Bakersfield to be present.

(Please! The News Editor wants newsletters . . any kind of letters . . . that will lend variety to the California section of SWinging. We cannot write about things we know nothing of, and, even after ten years, we still tend to get discouraged when called on the carpet for not reporting this and that relating to the activities of our friends. No news item is ever discarded by the News Editor until it has been recorded in the columns of SWinging, and all such items are sincerely appreciated if for no other reason than to lend interest and increase the coverage of the news section. NEWS EDITOR.)

Mr. and Mrs. David Balacaier are enjoying the comforts of their lovely new apartment at 8337 Blackburn Avenue, Los Angeles 48. Others who have moved to more spacious quarters include Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Mintz, 1234 Tenth Street, Santa Monica; Mr. and Mrs. James Mohr, 5969 Whitnall Highway, North Hollywood; and the Saul Brandts, 11120 National Boulevard,, Los Angeles 64. Best wishes to all of them in their new and nicer abodes.

Softball, under the direction of Jimmy Mohr, is in full swing with the young men of Los Angeles and vicinity swatting them high, wide, and handsome. . . but not too wide, we hope.

Friends are overjoyed for the Cecil Almses who have finally adopted a lovely baby daughter to brighten their household. A baby shower was held for the little newcomer June 7 although full details are not available.

Mr. and Mrs. Sol Garson of Oxard recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with their many friends gathering to wish them many more. Paul Cope of Los Angeles has been

Paul Cope of Los Angeles has been working overtime searching out appropriate sites for the Home for the Aged Deaf. The present Home is a three-story structure, and it is hoped that Paul and his hardworking committee will soon find a suitable one-story building or a site for the construction of one. This project is sponored by the California Association of the Deaf.

The John Fails will have vacated their Janice Street home by the time this goes to press, having bought a place with income units closer to downtown Long Beach. While moving is always a chore, Jerry had a real problem what with two truck loads of potted plants which she just would not leave behind. The new property has loads of beautiful flowers and plants, so what she is going to do with all the others is something to think about? Friends are all agog concerning the new place because it has a big swimming pool, but Jerry and John are begging for a week or two to get organized before the hordes in swim suits descend upon them. The new address will be announced just as soon as possible.

Angelenos have welcomed home most of their Gallaudet representatives. At the time we go to press, not all activities are known, but Marilyn Jaech is employed at Rexall Drug Company as a bookeeping machine operator in Los Angeles, and brother Tim Jaech is scouting around looking for work. Nick Elliott has a job in Colorado for the summer. A highlight of the summer will be the Gallaudet Swim Party at the home of Max and Mary Thompson under the direction of Mary Frances Brightwell and assistants. This event replaces the usual picnic, courtesy of the open-hearted Thompsons.

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Itchy-foot Earl Thompson, late of Chattanooga, and points between, is back in Santa Barbara with his family.
Lari is employed on the local news-

paper.

Harold Ramger is busily erecting a second home on a lot near his present residence which was a do-it-yourself project and a lovely one. Upon completion of the new house, Hal and Cato will move into it and sell the original home.

Mrs. Everett Rattan, after suffering months of agony, has undergone surgery for a ruptured spinal disc. Peggy's friends all wish her a speedy recovery.

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Friends of Henry Winicki, former
Detroiter, were saddened to learn of
the death of his mother recently. Henry
flew home but is now back on the job.

Herb and Loel Schreiber leave Los Angeles around June 19 for West Virginia and other points east including a visit to the Fred Schreibers in Garrett Park, Maryland. They'll visit old friends and former schoolmates as well as Herb's relatives, and Loel says she is looking forward to seeing some of the kids she kicked up her heels with in her salad days. Kenny and Nancy are also looking forward to the trip; Nan and Beverly Schreiber, Fred and Kit's oldest girl, became close friends during Fred and Kit's visit to California last summer. The foursome will be back home to the house on Holman Avenue around the 10th of July.

Another organization for the deaf of Los Angeles County will make its bow June 13 when the new San Gabriel Valley Association of the Deaf meets at the IOOF Hall in Baldwin Park! Deaf residents of the San Gabriel Valley now number around 300. More than 50 of them attended a meeting at the El Monte Center in El Monte April 18 at which time a committee was chosen to organize the Association, and those chosen to serve were George B. Elliott, chairman; William George, Harvey Welch, Howell Stottler, Kenneth Wild-man, Art McCaw, Fred Kaetner, Mabel George, Kathleen Kaetner, Harold Schultz, Roy Smith, Harry Goff, Robert Dunlap, James McAdams, and Gordon Lincoln. Plans of the Association are to weld together three different groups: a social club, a Frat divison, and a California Association of the Deaf chapter. The Association has selected an official emblem in the form of a cloverleaf with each of the three leaves denoting one of the three groups and the stem being the Association itself. Heading the club sub-committee is chairman Harvey Welch, and the Frat division sub-committee is headed by chairman Howell Stottler. William George is chairman of the CAD Chapter sub-committee. A four-hour meeting was held May 24 at the McCaw home noon of April 26 when their dearest

at which time many details were worked out, and quite a crowd is expected to attend the meeting June 13, at which time membership in the new organization will be accepted. The whole idea sounds wonderful, and the men and women behind the effort are to be complimented. We will have more news of them next issue without a doubt.

A group of ladies headed by Iva De-Martini entertained at a surprise wedding shower honoring newlyweds Gilbert and "Foggie" Evans at the Los Angeles Club the afternoon of Sunday, June 7. Gifts and cards were opened by the happy couple with young David, "Foggie's" son, an interested kibitzer. The Evanses are busy hunting for another apartment.

Among the 1959 graduates of the Berkeley School for the Deaf was young Elmo Clay Hickerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hickerson of San Pablo.

Elmo attended the Oklahoma School at Sulphur from 1946 until his parents moved to Los Angeles in 1955. They later moved up to San Pablo. Elmo, vice-president of the graduating class, aspires to become a printer.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Alms of Garden Mr. and Mrs. Cech Alms of Garden Grove journeyed back to Missouri on their vacation during May and returned with a lovely baby girl they adopted. Betty McMennis headed a committee which surprised Mrs. Alms and the little newcomer with a baby shower at Honold's Hut with around 80 close freinds in attendance. A huge cake, beautifully made by John Rabb, the southland's most famous deaf baker and cake-decorator, was served after all the gifts were opened.

Perhaps it is about time we mentioned John Rabb. An expert baker and cake-decorator, John's services are always in demand whenever a party is given. An article on John would make a nice feature writeup for THE SILENT WORKER, truly! He made a cake for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunlap's 35th wedding anniversary and also the one for the wedding shower honoring Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Evans.

COLORADO . . .

On May 1, Herman Butler and Edward Johnston, Jr., accompanied Thomas Fishler in his car to Denver from Colorado Springs to attend the 41st anniversary banquet of the Denver Division No. 64 of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf held at the Wellshire Inn. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Geist also attended, as well as the Early Davids of Fort Morgan. Fred Schmidt acted as toastmaster, with the following program: Opening prayer by Brother Rev. Homer E. Grace; "America" by Sister Margaret Herbold; delegate report by Brother Charles Billings, who has been elected to represent the Division at the convention in Detroit; "Fraternity" by Sister Antoinette Duran; Biography by Bro. Rev. Homer E. Grace; "One for the Road" by Bro. James Tuskey, and "Sine Die" by Father Joseph P. Meunir.

Melvin Maudlin and Helen Bronson, both Colorado School alumni, were married in the Church of God at Rocky Ford on April 5. A reception followed at the home of the bride's parents. The parents of the groom drove down from Cody, Wyoming, for the wedding. The newlyweds have taken up residence in Wyoming.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Frank Garner (nee Linda Gillaspie) of Denver on April 4. He weighed in at 6 lb. 12 oz. and has been named Richard Allen. He has another brother, Frank, Jr.

Around 35 deaf people from Denver and others from other towns attended the Open House held in the Colorado School on April 24 in observance of the State Public School Education Week.

Scoutmaster George Culbertson, Assistant Scoutmaster Floyd Rogers, and Everett Owens chaperoned the deaf Boy Scouts of Troop No. 7 of the Colorado School on a weekend outing at the Alexander Camp about 40 miles west of Colorado Springs, leaving school Friday afternoon, May 1, and returning the following Sunday afternoon. They reported an enjoyable

time. Scoutmaster Culbertson took four Boy Scouts, Bert Younger, Joe Chifalo, Joe Romero, and Wilbur Vernon on a camping trip to Eagle, Colorado, somewhere west of the Continental Divide. leaving school early the morning of June 1 and returning the evening of June 4.

Congratulations to Claude Haun for winning a scholarship to Gallaudet College. The announcement was made at the commencement exercises at the

School on May 31.

The Colorado Springs Division No. 126 of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, the Pikes Peak Silent Club. and the Colorado Springs Silents sponsored a reception in honor of three prominent English educators in Carpenter Hall on April 30. These three Englishmen were Mr. James Lumsden, Ministry of Education's Assessor on the Examination Board at the National College of Teachers of Deaf in England and a Fellow and Member of the Council of the British Psychological Society; Mr. Reginal Howlett, Head of the Administration of the School Health Service and the services of the special educational treatment of bandicapped children in England; and Dr. Pete Henderson, Medical Advisor to the Ministry of Education on the health of school children and on the medical aspects of the special educational treatment of handicapped children. Mr. Stelle, superintendent of the Colorado School, accompanied these men. Questions and answers were exchanged between these men and the 75 deaf people. Delicious refreshments were served by Herman Butler, president of the Pikes Peak Silent Club, Dorothy Puzick, Sally Ascota, and William Cart. These three Englishmen were guests at the Colorado School from April 30 to May 3 while on their tour of the United States to study the conditions of living and education of the deaf. The Colorado School felt honored in being selected by these prominent men as one of the schools to be visited in the United States.

The Arkansas Valley Club of the Deaf sponsored a three-day Memorial Day weekend outing at Salida, the home of Frank Blankis, who was in charge of the arrangements. Mr. and Mrs. Everett Owens and children and Dee Haptonstall from Colorado Springs; Stephen Ricci and Eddie Duran from Denver; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Albrecht, Rocky Ford; Mr. and Mrs. Lorenz Downey from Pueblo; and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hoza and children from Canon City were present. Dee Haptonstall caught six good-sized trout for the first time, this being his first fishing experience. Bill Owens caught a 15-inch trout weighing 1½ lb.; Mr. and Mrs. Albrecht came in their new 1959 Volvo which replaced their 1954 Olds.

Since the close of School on June 1, Sally Ascota has been employed by the Good Will Industries but will be called to work as one of the food service workers during the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf from June 28 through July 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kilthau, Denver, came after their daughter Bonnie, one of the pupils in the deaf department at the school on May 29

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to take her home for the summer and were also present in the school auditorium for the awarding of the Strat-

ton prizes.

Everett Owens reported that Stephen Ricci of Denver looks good with his beard which he has grown in observance of the Rush to the Rockies Centennial Celebration. Clyde L. Garrison of Colorado Springs has a twotone beard in brown and gray and reminds one of the early settlers. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Suska, Denver, became the parents of their first child, a girl, on May 28. They have named her Donna Mae.

Ione Dibble accompanied the Herbert Votaws on the annual trip put on by Rocky Mountain Railroad Club May 29-31, being a trip on the narrow gauge railroad from Alamosa to Durango, with a side trip to Silverton, in the southwestern part of Colorado. The scenery is out of this world, and anyone who has gone on this trip will never forget the experience. The narrow gauge line (steam locomotive) between Durango and Silverton was featured in "Round the World in 90 Days."

Saturday evening, June 6, found about all the deaf of Denver gathered in the backyard of the Fred Schmidts' home in Southeast Denver. The purpose was the first of a series of building fund picnics to be held at homes of members of the Silent Athletic Club. Home cooked food was donated by the ladies, with the men chipping in for staples. Pop was sold as well as the food, with the evening netting over \$200. The SAC has purchased a building for their future club headquarters, and having made a down payment, the members must work hard to pay the balance.

The annual picnic of the SAC was held at Genesee Park in the mountains on Sunday, June 14, with Francis Mog and Rea Hinrichs as co-chairmen. In spite of several thunderstorms, the deaf enjoyed themselves, and a substantial profit was netted for the building fund.

Alvin O' Connor, formerly of Blaine, Kansas, has been working as a linotypist in Denver for the past month. At present he is with the Denver Post. His wife, Viola, and three children will arrive in Denver soon to join him. We hope they will make Denver their permanent home.

Another steam locomotive trip was enjoyed by the Herb Votaws, the Alex Pavalkos, Mary Elstad and her two sons, Ronnie and Johnnie, on June 10, when a Burlington steam locomotive from Chicago made a trip down to Colorado Springs and back. The Rocky Mountain Railroad Club again was sponsor of this trip. The Burlington steam locomotive had brought the Illinois Rail Fans to Denver from whence they took another train to Durango to enjoy a narrow-gauge trip.

June 12 found many of the deaf of Denver at All Souls Guild partaking of the hot supper (fried chicken or trout) chairmanned by Mary Elstad with Bob Bundy as chef. The regular business meeting of the Guild followed the hot supper, and afterwards there was a little surprise in store for Rev. Homer E. Grace, DD., who has retired

from 37 years on the road as a missionary to the deaf. A cash gift was presented by the members and friends.

Another addition to Denver's deaf population is Ronald Nester, a 1959 graduate of the Kansas School, who is making his home in Denver. At present he is employed by a bakery.

The Alexander Hofmans of Philadelphia have been Denver visitors for two weeks and attended the party at the Schmidts on June 6 and the picnic on June 14.

The Wayne Bells of Denver moved to Phoenix in May, and now we hear (through the grapevine) that they are now living in Canon City.

Margaret Herbold will begin her vacation soon, leaving July 1 for a visit with her daughter and family in Enid, Oklahoma.

The Fred Schmidts will leave by auto June 27 for a two-week vacation in California. Other California visitors will be the Rhea Hinrichs and the Don Warnicks.

#### WASHINGTON, D.C. . . .

Mr. and Mrs. George Dyess, former Atlantans, have settled in an apartment in Cheverly and are expecting in December (their first).

The Metropolitan Deaf Investors Club, the second for Washington area, was organized on May 31 with 25 members lined up. Officers elected were Alexander Fleischman, president; Edward Bonvillain, vice president; Bill Wright, secretary; Doyle H. McGregor, treasurer agent; and George Singer, assistant treasurer agent.

Mrs. Preston Newton and daugther returned to D. C. after a four-month stay in Florida during which Mrs. Newton's father passed away.

Suleiman Bushnaq flew to Denmark for a get-together with his folks whom he has not seen for some 12 years. He will return in the fall to resume teaching at Gallaudet.

Elmer Ewan undertook his first job at a hotel near Poughkeepsie, New York, for the summer.

The Byron Baers gave a Lawn Twilight party for the Holy Name Catholic members, and it turned out to be a wonderful experience.

Louis Pucci was elected delegate to

the ICDA Convention in Cleveland.

The Donald Kennedys have abandoned their Volkswagen for a Ford. The Herbert Goodwins are also driving a '56 Ford Country Sedan while Herb is trying to fix the loyal worn out jeep so it will last just a little longer as a second car.

The Rudolph Hineses will participate in the teachers convention scheduled for Colorado Springs and then be enroute to Mrs.'s hometown in Montana.

MAD doings—Secretary Herdtfelder is working on forming a home for the aged and infirm deaf. Publicity director Al Fleischman will issue the first edition of "Voice of MAD," a mimeo sheet. The next MAD convention is scheduled for Ocean City in June, 1960.

The Aux Frats finally became a division, No. 151, and a ceremony was held in conjunction with the 45th anniversary of Frat Divisison No. 46 at its banquet on May 30. Francis Higgins was the guest speaker, and Leon Auerbach delivered the welcome address.

#### KANSAS . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sharp and daughter left Wichita April 9 for Sacramento to seek employment. It is said that he found a job. In Wichita he was a shoe repairman by trade, but he said he would accept any kind of job in Sacramento.

Dalton Fuller, Wichita, enjoyed the annual beef and cabbage dinner for the members of the Wichita Old Time Ballplayers Association at Broadview Hotel May 6. He always finds good times at the dinner where he can visit the other former ball players. He is a Kansas Hall of Famer.

Archie Losey, Wichita, suffered a fractured shoulder on April 28 when his car, stopped for a red light, was hit on the rear by another car. He has returned to his work at the Beech Aircraft Co.

Two more Wichitans figured in a car accident. As Emily Jo Mooberry, Goddard, with Della Miller, Wichita, as her passenger, drove on the U.S. 54 overpass in the city limits, she figured in a three-car accident at 2 a.m. May 10. The first car abruptly stopped on the way, causing the second car to hit it. The second car had just passed

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July 15-18-National Fraternal Society of the Deaf,

Hotel Sheraton-Cadillac, Detroit, Mich. July 17-19—Texas Association of the Deaf, Hotel Beaumont, Beaumont, Texas July 24-26—Minnesota Association of the Deaf, St. Paul-Minneapolis July 31-Aug. 1-2—Oklahoma Association of the Deaf, Hotel Severs, Muskogee August 1-2—Colorado Association of the Deaf, Colorado Springs, Colo. August 2-5—Southern Baptist Conference of the Deaf

Glorietta Baptist Assembly, Glorietta, New Mexico August 7-9—South Carolina Association of the Deaf, Greenwood, S. C. August 14-16—Kansas Association of the Deaf, Hotel Broadview, Wichita, Kan. August 14-16—Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf Americus Hotel, Allentown, Pennsylvania

August 22-26—World Federation of the Deaf, Rhein-Main-Halle,

Wiesbaden, Germany

September 5-7—Idaho Association of the Deaf, Lewiston, Idaho

the Mooberry car when it hit the stopped car. Miss Moorberry thus could not avoid hitting the second car. The girls were treated at a local hospital

for minor injuries.

Mrs. Mary Ann Hunt, Kingman, mother of Mrs. S. E. Parlett, nee Nola Hunt, Wichita, passed away on May 16 and was buried at Kingman. Mrs. Hunt, aged 85, had lived in Kingman County since 1897 and in Kingman since 1924. Our sympathy goes to the bereaved daughter, Mrs. Parlett.

James Pugh, Wichita, fell on the porch steps at his home on May 9 and fractured his shoulder and wrist. He was a hospital patient 15 days. While there pneumonia set in, but he came through all right although his family was worried as his condition then was not good. He returned home on May 23 and is doing nicely now.

Mrs. Stanley Dibble, Wichita, fell on the bedroom floor May 19 and was taken to a hospital where it was found a hermorrhage had set in from a broken blood vessel at the back of her neck. She remained there till June 1. She recuperated at her son Alvin's home a week and is now at home.

Mrs. Florence Stack, mother of the Stack brothers, Hugh, Albert, and Luther, retired from Kansas School for the Deaf at the close of school this spring. She served as a home economics teacher for the advanced girls for 26 years. She will maintain her home in Olathe. The Missouri correspondent can tell you about the honor for her retirement on the school campus on May 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker, Wichita, are happy parents of a baby boy who came on May 18. The baby weighed 6 lb. 10 oz. and was named Fred Albert, Jr. Mrs. Walker, nee Shirley Ferguson, is a product of the Arkansas School.

The Wichita Frat's annual Memorial Day picnic was held in a new city park, Herman Hill Park, located on South Broadway and Pawnee in the south area. The park is beautifully landscaped and has a ball diamond, recreation facilities for young folks, and modern rest rooms, The day was clear but windy. The picnic food served by the committee was appreciated by about 55 people. After dinner the crowd became larger. They did not have a softball game as there were not enough men out, but they played some games with cash prizes for the winners.

Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Fisher, Ponca City, Oklahoma, visited his brother, Jack who was in a Wichita hospital for major surgery on May 23. They called on their friends at the WAD hall in the evening. The Fishers re-

turned home the next day.

Wilbur Ruge, Wichita, assembled a very nice looking five transistor portable radio recently from a radio kit with all necessary parts in its. He took out the plastic case and made a wooden case for it. In case of tornado warnings, their children can convey the reports from the radio to the parents while they are in the basement.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fergason, Olathe, spent the last week of May at Liberal and Wichita. At Liberal they attended the graduation exercises for her nephew and visited with her brother and family. At Wichita they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Grier. They also enjoyed the annual Frat picnic.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rose and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mc-Guire, Wichita, entertained chicken pox the last part of May and the early part of June.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dailey, Hutchinson, were the Memorial Day weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Parlett in Wichita. Mr. Dailey went to Sunday school with Mr. Parlett at the First Baptist Church.

The Wichita convention committee is busy with the golden jubilee convention plans of the Kansas Association of the Deaf. This will be held at Broadview Hotel in Wichita, on August 14, 15, and 16.

#### NEW YORK . . .

The following items were sent in by Adele Shuart, 1084 Gerard Avenue, New York 52, New York.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt was a guest at the Bar Mitzvah of Charles Bearman, Henry Blum, Andrew Saltzman, Harry Rotstein, and Stewart Gerlis on May 23 as well the Bar Mitzvah of Sharon Israel and Lena Smith. The ceremony took place at the Community Center for the Deaf.

On the same day 169 charming members of the HAD Sisterhood enjoyed a luncheon which commemorated the group's 12th anniversary. Event took place at the Hotel Bancroft. Card games took up most of the afternoon with Mrs. Gertrude Fischer and Mrs. Bertha Kurz in charge of all the arrangements.

Congratulations are extended to Micheal Dayinger and his new bride, the former Hazel Durov of Los Angeles. Micheal and Hazel were married May 16, and friends here are happy to welcome Hazel to New York.

Mrs. Lorraine Stroedecke was the honoree at a surprise baby shower May 21 given by Mesdames Beatty, Dorber, Gibo, Bovee, Pizzulo, Pease, Ekstrom, Gallanari, and Tranger and Misses Downey, Suslavage, and Keely. Gathering took place over in New Jersey, and among the many beautiful baby gifts was a bathinette, a jumper, a swing, and a playpen.

Ira and Shirley Lerner and their sons have moved to East Paterson, New Jersey, from Mt. Vernon, New York. They are happy in their new surroundings and closer to Ira's place of employment.

Condolences are extended to Mrs. Ruth Feinsmith and to Myra Mazur, both of whom lost their mothers recently after long illnesses.

We are glad to report that Edith Rosenbaum, James Epstein, Harry Plapinger, Edwina Olsen, and Dorothy Pakula are all on the road to recovery following various operations of both minor and major nature. Henry Peters is recovering rapidly following a recent heart attack.

Margaret and Al Hlibok spent a week's vacation in and around the vicinity of Williamsburg, Virginia, the

last week of May. They then motored up to Washington, D. C., where Margaret received her sheepskin at the Gallaudet commencement. Mrs. Lilly Rothenberg and Mrs. Ruth Stern also drove up to Gallaudet to see Margaret graduate and spent two days visiting around Washington guided by Paul Cantwell of Iowa who also received his degree at Gallaudet. Mr. Cantwell returned with them to New York where he spent a week as guest of Al Berke before going on to Lake Mohank, New York, to work for the summer.

Morton Bayarsky returned home when Gallaudet closed for the summer vacation and has secured a position in a meat-packing plant where his father is employed.

June 6 was Field Day at the New York School for the Deaf sponsored by the alumni. Everyone enjoyed meeting old friends and former schoolmates while some of the younger crowd engaged in a spirited baseball game. Following a turkey dinner in the school dining room, folks gathered 'round to view movies of "Old Fanwood.

Congratulations to Joan and Lawrence Timper! May brought them a beautiful 8 lb. 5 oz. baby boy. Doris and Jack McGowan are also receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a lovely little daughter born the following day, May 21.

#### OREGON . . .

The following items were contributed by Mrs. Alice Spath, 1621 S. E. Salmon Street, Portland 14.

Carl Duane Berwiebe and Shirley Marilyn Ellerman were married May 2 at the Hope Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Portland.

William Hunter of Vancouver, Washington, was confined to his home serveral days during April, but we are happy to learn at this writing that he is very much improved.

Big doings coming up for July 17-19. The Northwest Lutheran Deaf Lay Conference will be held at Newman Lake near Spokane that week-end.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Adair, nee Isabelle Springer, who

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2495 Shattuck Avenue Berkeley 4, California were blessed with the arrival of a baby girl named Rose Isabelle on April 15. Baby tipped the scales at a little under nine pounds and is the delight of her two brothers, aged seven and five.

The following items were contributed by Estella Lange, 1440 Marshall Drive Salem.

Service awards were made to all employees of Paulus Bros. who have been with the company 10 years or more. The awards were given by the Hawaiian Pineapple Company, and Milton Hill received a 15-year award, having worked for Paulus Bros for 19 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Sandefur (nee Ruth Whitman) live in Tillamook with their two little girls, Kathy and Gloria. Bud is employed by the Diamond Lumber Company in the plywood division.

A son, Mark David, was born to Rev. and Mrs. George C. Ring on the 19th of May. Baby joins a brother and four sisters

Forty-six members and friends of the Salem Chapter of the OAD gathered at the Flamingo Cafe in Independence the other Saturday night for their annual banquet. To make it more interesting, members were asked to wear centennial costumes. Mrs. George Hill opened the program, and after dinner Judge Joseph B. Felton told of us work with the youth of the valley with Supt. M. B. Clatterbuck of the Oregon School interpreting. Mrs. Royal Teets rendered "Auld Lang Syne" in signs, with Mrs. Olaf Tollefson singing it for the hearing guests, and Supt. Clatterbuck then gave a short talk about the Oregon School.

Olaf Tollefson had the distasteful job of deciding who wore the best costume of the evening, and it was so difficult that he had to call on the audience for help. Mr. and Mrs. Leylan Wood of Stayton ran off with the prize for the best dressed couple. Mrs. Wood wore her mother-in-law's dress

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Royal Teets served as toastmaster, and guests that evening included Supt. and Mrs. Clatterbuck, Judge and Mrs. Joseph B. Felton, and Mr. and Mrs. Al Noble. Much credit is due Mr. and Mrs. Royal Teets who worked so hard to make the affair a success

#### Roaming the Range With El Gaucho

- By TROY E. HILL -

Dallas—where the NAD meets July 2-9, 1960.

The writer has been under the weather the past two months, hence no column. Heart attacks May 3-4 confined him to the hospital for some three weeks, and he was completely immobilized. Nevertheless, the local committee, headed by Louis B. Orrill, have rolled up their collective sleeves and started to work on convention plans.

Not long ago we told you about Dallas moving a whole river and straightening it out. Since then the abandoned river bed has been converted into a multi-million dollar industrial district which can be seen by those arriving by train or coming down Highway 77 from Oklahoma City to Dallas over the new Simmons Expressway.

Deaths: Mrs. Alta Perkins Gray, wife

Deaths: Mrs. Alta Perkins Gray, wife of Tom Gray of Austin, on March 17. Harol Rudolph, twin brother of Harry Rudolph, the latter part of May.

Rudolph Gamblin of Amarillo, president of the Texas Association of the Deaf, has made several trips to Austin lately in interest of various bills concerning the deaf. One is now a law, and two others are on the governor's desk.

On our trip to Atlanta for the great AAAD tournament we met for the first time a dear friend of ours, Mrs. Muriel Bishop. Others we enjoyed seeing were the Rev. Carter Bearden, Sr., a former Texan, Rev. and Mrs. Robert C. Fletcher, Mrs. John G. Chunn (also a former Texan), and Davis Rives, son of the late Prof R. M. Rives, whom we had not seen for nearly 36 years.

We also took in the Wichita Bowling Tournament won by the Fort Worth Silent Club. Eleven teams participated. Fort Worth will be host in 1960, followed by San Antonio in 1961.

Harry Rudolph paid us a visit on his way back to Kentucky in June after the funeral of his twin brother Harol. The Rudolph twins were two of the writer's brightest stars during his coaching tenure at the Texas School in football and baseball.

Vic Hettle and family of Wichita were visitors in Dallas in May. Vic is remembered for his athletic prowess at the Kansas School in the early thirties.

Rev. Paul Meacham, a long time minister to the deaf throughout the southern states, died in Atlanta in April and was buried in Winnsboro, Texas, which we understand was the old hometown of his wife. Mrs. Meacham was later hospitalized in Dallas with a broken leg.

We hear Luther Harris was visiting his daughter in Dallas not long ago, but none of us caught sight of him.

The June entertainment at the Dallas Club was directed by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wood. It is nice to see the younger members starting to take hold.

W. O. Barton, who underwent minor surgery early this year, is better, and his mother is resting at home now after an eye operation.

Others recently in the hospital: Mrs. W. W. Sides and Mrs. Elizabeth C. Talbot.

On June 13 quite a number of outof-towners were in Dallas for the 10th anniversary celebration of the Dallas Silent Club's purchase of its own building.

Edgar Hughes, a long time Dallas resident and a native of Arkansas, has retired after years of employment with a battery firm. We understand he is flying out to California on July 1.

William Burton Rogers, a teacher at the Texas School the past 10 years, died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound on June 29 in his Austin home. A graduate of Gallaudet College and a native of Wyoming, Mr. Rogers taught at the Kansas School before moving to Austin. In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son and his mother.

#### Mrs. Rosa L. Ursin Passes

Mrs. Rosa L. Ursin, a well known friend of the deaf, died in San Jose, California, on June 4.

A daughter of deaf parents, Mrs. Ursin spent most of her life among the deaf and took an active part in many of their affairs where she could be of help. A skilled sign-maker, her services as an interpreter were constantly available and regularly used.

Mrs. Ursin was a daughter of Lars M. Larson, one of the original members of the National Association of the Deaf and founder of the New Mexico School for the Deaf at Santa Fe, where Rosa was born.

Mrs. Ursin and her late husband, Ben E. Ursin, moved to San Jose from Chicago 11 years ago and for a while operated a motel there. She assisted the deaf of San Jose in establishing the San Jose Silent Club, and she was a valuable adviser.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. George W. Gaertner of the Oakland Lutheran Chruch for the Deaf. Mrs. Ursin is survived by a daughter, a sister, a brother, and three grandchildren.

## The Ohio Independents of 1879

First Deaf Semi-Professional Baseball Team of Columbus, Ohio, Toured the U.S.A. Eighty Years Ago

#### By Ralph E. LinWeber

Baseball Research Bureau, Toledo, Ohio

The picture of the world famous Ohio Independents Baseball Club of 1879 printed elsewhere in this sports section is reproduced from an original photograph owned by the late Mr. Parley Patterson Pratt. It was taken from a souvenir book on the history of the Ohio School for the Deaf, Columbus, Ohio, printed in 1898. Mr. Pratt was a teacher in shoemaking at the school for many years, and he was the organizer and manager of the Ohio Independents Semi-Professional Baseball Team composed of former stars of the Ohio School for the Deaf of which some of the boys later became professional players.

About as early as 1870 Mr. Pratt took lessons in baseball at the military school of the United States Barracks, Ohio State University, and the Capital University, all of Columbus, and taught the game of baseball to the deaf students at the Ohio School for the Deaf, which became the fourth team in the city to play ball against those three rival teams. And OSD was able to play a better brand of ball than those opponents. The masterful pitching feats of Edward Joseph Dundon for the Ohio Deaf had a lot to do in beating them from time to time and he could bat the ball out of the park as well.

The Ohio School, by the way, was the first school for the deaf in the United States to play baseball.

James A. Williams, a resident of Columbus and a well known promoter and prime mover of many minor professional baseball leagues from 1877 to 1900, saw some promise in the Ohio School nine. He kindly assisted the deaf boys with his personal suggestions in various ways and advised Mr. Pratt to take the team on a tour of the eastern United States and make some money by playing against clubs of the National League in exhibition games on open dates throughout the league schedule. The National League was then only four years old since it was established in 1876 and played through its schedule of only 80 games that season.

Mr. Pratt and the boys began talking about a tour to the cities in several states in the East. He at once put the boys who had left school prior to 1879 in active practice and corresponded with the managers of the National League teams and some amateur groups. Some answered favorably, and some were afraid to give them a ball game. They thought the Ohio Independents could not play on account of their deafness.

Following is the National League standing of the clubs at the close of the 1879 season with the names of the managers of each club whom Mr.

Pratt had corresponded with to arrange for dates of the games to be played throughout the summer.

Club	W	L Pct.	Manager
Providence	55	23 .705	G. Wright
Boston	49	29 .628	H. Wright
Buffalo	44	32 .579	McGunnigle
Chicago	44	32 .579	Anson
Cincinnati	38	36 .514	White
Syracuse	15	27 .357	Smith
Cleveland	19	56 .253	Ferguson
Troy, N.Y.	19	56 .253	Ferguson

Early in June of 1879 the Ohio independents opened with the first game against the strong champions of Springfield, Ohio, and beat them, 6 to 0. Previously Springfield won a hot 6 to 5 exhibition game from Adrian C. Anson's Chicago Club of the National League which had refused an offer by Mr. Pratt to play in a game against them. The Wright Brothers of Providence and Boston never answered Mr. Pratt's letters for games. The Ohio Independents went to Cincinnati and won an open date game of 1 to 0 against the Cincinnati "Red Stockings" of the National League, and also won the next, but lost the third game.

The Ohio Independents then took the train to Cleveland riding all night and won an 8 to 1 game from the 'Forest City'' nine of the National League. They went to Buffalo, then a member of the National League, for three games but the club backed out, so the Ohio Independents went right on to Rochester, Syracuse, Utica, Albany, Troy, and Hudson, all of New York State. The Troy Club, a weak team in the National League at that time, beat the Ohio Independents, 2 to 0, in 12 innings. They won three to 0, in 12 innings. They won three straight games from the Syracuse "Stars" of the National League. They went to New York City to play with the Jersey City Amateur Baseball Club for three games, but they backed out in fear that the Ohio Independents would beat them.

The Ohio Independents had intended to go to Baltimore, Philadelphia, Washington, and Pittsburgh, but they found it impossible for Mr. Pratt to keep the boys in good condition. Some were badly disabled with sprains and bruises. None of the boys ever wore a glove in all of the games, so the team agreed to go home to Columbus for a good rest.

A few weeks later the Ohio Independents went on another tour and they met Akron, a small town in its day with a population of 16,000, and lost a game to the "Akronites." They next went to Cleveland again and won the game there against the "Forest City" Club. They played a mateur

games in Elyria, Norwalk, and Findlay, all of Ohio, Cambridge City, Indiana, and Louisville, Kentucky. They won the majority of the games. The Louisville "Eclipses," an original member of the National League, were generous and gave the Ohio Independents the whole gate receipts for two games. Then they won three straight games from Cincinnati "Red Stockings," and their manager James L. "Deacon" White told Mr. Pratt that his boys were hoggish. Then they broke for home to end the season.

During the tour Mr. Pratt received

During the tour Mr. Pratt received many offers for games without guarantees but declined to accept them because his team was too strong for those amateur clubs. The team came home at midnight and was surprised to learn that the United States Barracks Band had intended to meet them at the depot, but they were not notified of them coming home.

The Ohio Independents won 44 and lost 7 games on the tour while most of the nines were professional teams. Mr. Pratt had a diary and a large lot of clippings pasted in a scrap book. He said that you cannot imagine how much the newspapers praised his boys. They traveled over 3,500 miles from June till September. The Ohio Independents played for glory as well as to show the people that the deaf were as good players as hearing ones.

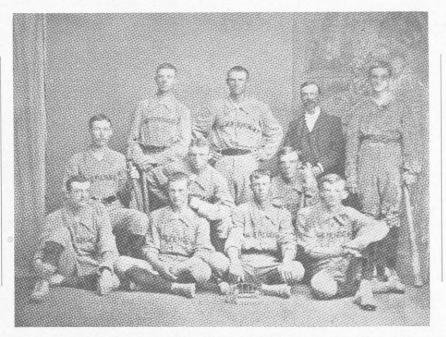
Some of the boys of the Ohio Independents afterwards went on to play professional ball. Edward Joseph Dundon played in the America Association then in its major league rank, Southern Association, International League, and some other lower minor leagues from 1883 till his sudden death in 1893 due to the ravages of consumption. John Ryn played in the Southern Association, Western League, Tri-State League, and some other lower minor leagues from 1885 to 1891.

"Dummy" Dundon, as he was called, made a big record as a pitcher as he hurled in some 60 games without being out of condition, and Ryn, a big husky 16-year-old lad, was a natural hitter who could play either as a catcher or at first base.

Issac Hatcher Sawhill, the regular catcher and oldest player on the team at the age of 27, had a very sharp eye for fouls. Many people believed that he was not deaf. He was the fastest runner on the team. He had a trial with the Mansfield, Ohio, professional club of the old Ohio State League for one year in 1882 when he caught only 37 games.

His cousin, Collins Stone Sawhill, played in the outfield. He later was ordained into the ministry.

Harvey James Stottler, the third baseman, had natural baseball sense, a batting eye, speed, and a very ac-



This Columbus Baseball Team of 1884, a major league member of the old American Association which was a rival of the National League, has Dummy Dundon in the line up. This photo was secured from a large photo which hangs in the National Baseball Museum and Hall of Fame at Cooperstown, hangs in the National Baseball Museum and Hall of Fame at Cooperstown, New York. It cost Ralph LinWeber ten dollars to have this photo reproduced especially for THE SILENT WORKER. Back row, left to right: John F. Cahill, LF; EDWARD J. DUNDON, P and LF; Frederick H. Carroll, C; Rudolph Kemmler, C; James C. Field, 1B; William J. Kuehne, 3B; Middle row: Frederick I. Mann, CF; Thomas T. Brown, RF; Gustave H. Schmelz, Manager; Charles M. "Pop" Smith, Captain and 2B; John H. Richmond, SS. Front row: Frank H. Mountain, P; and Edward "Cannon Ball" Morris, P. Field was the last player of this team to pass away when he died in 1953. (Field was the last player of this team to pass away when he died in 1953 at the age of 90.)

curate throwing arm in the infield. He was the father of two deaf sons, Harley D., of the famous Akron Goodyear Silents Football team, and Calvin H., both now residing in Pontiac, Michigan.

Captain Joseph Winton Lieb, who played at second base, was a first class coach as well as skillful in hitting the ball to produce runs at an important stage of the game for his team.

A Hunter, whose first name cannot the United States Barracks playing on the United States Barracks playing on the team. He played at shortstop in place of Henry Bardes in order to prevent cheating by some of the opponent players in all of the games on the

Most of the boys could catch hot balls with one hand. They never used a mitten in all of the games. The catcher wore only a wired cage mask over his face as is seen lying in front of the picture.

William Ellsworth "Dummy" Hoy is not in the picture as he was just grad-uating from the Ohio School for the Deaf on June 24 with the class of 1879 as valedictorian. He did not accompany the Ohio Independents on the tour as Mr. Pratt thought he was too small in size and too youthful. Hoy nevertheless has outlived the whole group in the picture and was the best player of all time among the deaf in later years when he played professional ball for 18 years from 1886 to 1903, 15 of them in the Majors, and he made a living from it. He was 97 years old last May 23, and he is the oldest major leaguer ever in longevity since

Other Ohio deaf boys who had successfully made the grade of playing professional ball in later years were Arthur Manning Hinch, an outfielder in the Western League; George Pius Kihm, a great first baseman in the minors with the Inter-State League, New York State League, California League, American Association, and Central League; Harry Franklin Dix, a south paw pitcher in the Cotton States League; William Fankhauser, a third baseman in the Indiana State League, and William Lorimer Sawhill, a younger brother of Collins Stone Sawhill, who played in the outfield with several clubs in the Ohio State League. All are dead except Dix who is living in the Columbus area at the age of 76.

Elsewhere in this sports section is a double column list of the dates of deaths of the players of the Ohio Independents Baseball Club with their ages at the time they toured the country in 1879. Have a look:

#### ANSWERS to TRUE or FALSE:

(See Page 9)

- 1. True, because it was passed by a majority of votes cast.
- 2. True. So it clarifies the issue for the members to understand before voting intelligently on them.
- 3. False. A bylaw (club or any organization) ranks higher than Robert's Rules of Order! Robert's Rules of Order applies only to the rules of procedure of the club to follow on items not covered by higher laws.
  - 4. True.
  - 5. False.
- 6. True, unless an organization has a rule or custom to the effect that nominating or seconding speeches are made. But remember all personalities and ungentlemanly language and manners must be avoided by all means.
- 7. True. Just say, "The member who spoke last," or the like.
- 8. False. If the bylaws require the election by ballot, there is no alternative. Remember a bylaw cannot be suspended unless there is a provision permitting it.
  - 9. True.
- 10. True. Also, such temporary action is often desirable; for the members may not be ready to discuss the guestion, may want to wait further information, or may choose to clear the way for the introduction of some other business deemed of more urgent importance. Whatever the motive, they have the right to table the pending question. To lay on the table requires a majority vote. Undebatable.

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## The Dundon Story

World's First Renowned Deaf Professional Baseball Player, 1879-1889

By Ralph E. LinWeber

Baseball Research Bureau, Toledo, Ohio

(Editor's Note: Baseball has been Ralph E. LinWeber's athletic "love" for considerably longer than half a century. When you visit his Baseball Research Bureau at 1916 Cone Street, Toledo 6, Ohio, which is open to the public the year round, you will find pictures of famous baseball players of bygone days covering the walls of his Bureau. And in the library you will startle at his most prized collection of yearly Reach Baseball Guides since 1882. Many sports editors usually visit his Bureau so as to look up a player's record. His Bureau, by the way, is now in its 20th year since it was established during the Baseball Centennial Celebration in 1939. LinWeber is also publisher of the "Toledo Baseball Guide of the Mudhens," a 60-year historic record.)

Edward Joseph Dundon was born in Columbus, Ohio, July 10, 1858. He lost his hearing at an early age, and when he was ten years old he entered the Ohio School for the Deaf at Columbus in the fall of 1868. He early showed a fondness for athletics and was a player on the school's baseball team as a pitcher under Coach Parley P. Pratt who first introduced the sport to the school in the early '70s.

After graduating from OSD in the Class of 1878 on June 25th, he worked in the State Bindery but kept up his practice in baseball playing after working hours and weekend days. He was a member of the famous semi-professional "Ohio Independents" baseball team at the time they made their celebrated barnstorming tour of the East in 1879 playing against the professional National League clubs and some strong amateur baseball nines.

Dundon pitched in 51 games, winning 44 while losing only 7 that season. He had masterful pitching control on the mound in all the games he hurled for four years till June 1, when he was drafted into the ranks of the Columbus American Association Baseball Club to meet an emergency and proved so successful that he was retained for the entire season. The American Association was then a rival major league organization of the National

League that saw operation for only 10 years from 1882 to 1892.

At that time Columbus had only two pitchers. John G. Valentine quit the club early in the season due to illness and later became an umpire in the American Association. Frank Mountain, the team's leading pitcher, was called home because of a death in his family. A telegram was sent to Dundon to report at once to Philadelphia were Columbus was to play against the "Athletics" on June 2, 1883, and this was the beginning of his career as a professional ball player and the first trial for a deaf player throughout the nation.

The students of the Mt. Airy School for the Deaf of Philadelphia were invited to attend the initial game for Dundon because the date happened to be on Saturday afternoon when there was no school for the day.

Following is the box score of this game as was secured from the Sporting Life newspaper including the reporter's play by play account:

## COLUMBUS "BUCKEYES" vs. PHILADELPHIA "ATHLETICS"

Saturday, June 2, 1883, at Philadelphia A Surprise Defeat

The Athletics Beaten By Columbus, 8 to 6

#### PHILADELPHIA

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A. Judson Birchall, If	4	1	1	2	0	0
Henry D. Stovey, lb.	4	2	1	12	0	1
Alonzo P. Knight, rf	4	0	1	2	0	0
Michael Moynahan, ss	_1	1	0	0	4	1
John K. O'Brien, c	4	0	1	3	0	0
George W. Bradley, 3b.	4	0	0	0	1	1
Fred H. Corey, cf	4	0	0	2	0	1
John A. Stricker, 2b	4	1	1	3	3	4
Edward E. Bakely, p	_5	1	0	0	2	0
Totals	34	6	5	24	10	8

#### COLUMBUS

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Harry E. Wheeler, If5	2	1	1	0	1	
John H. Richmond, ss 4	2	2	1	1	2	
Thomas T. Brown, rf 5	1	3	0	0	0	
Charles M. Smith, 3b5	0	1	0	1	0	
Fred I. Mann, cf 5						
Rudolph Kemmler, c 4	1	1	8	2	3	
Grayson S. Pearce, 2b4	0	0	4	2	0	
James C. Field, lb 4	1	0	11	0	0	
EDW. J. DUNDON, p 4	0	0	1	7	0	
Totals 40	8	9	27	13	7	•

#### SCORE BY INNINGS

Philadelphia	100	000	050-6
Columbus	001	006	01x-8

3B—Stovey. 2B—Birchall. LOB—Phil., 2; Columbus, 8. DP—Richmond to Pearce to Field, 2. SO—By Bakely, 2; Dundon, 2. BB—By Dundon, 4; Bakely, 1. PB—Kemmler, 3; O'Brien 1. WP—Bakely, 1; Dundon, 2. Umpire—Charles T. Daniels. Time—2h. 40m. Attendance—2,500.

The Athletics club was yesterday taken into camp by the Columbus club. The playing of the home team was inferior to that of their opponents. While their batting was light, they were unable to hit the new pitcher of the Columbus club, who is a deaf mute. Johnny Stricker and Mike Moynahan played wretchedly, their numerous errors being mainly responsible for the result. Two thousand five hundred people were quiet and subdued spectators of the contest.

The pitching of Eddie Bakely was exceedingly wild and gave John O'Brien heaps of work. Henry Stovey at first also played poorly. The Athletics scored a run in the first inning on a three baser by Stovey and by the umpire's unintentional interference with the ball. Al Knight also made a hit, but was put out at the home plate. The Buckeyes were retired for nothing.

In the third inning the Columbus club also scored a run on safe hits of Harry Wheeler and Tommy Brown, while the Athletics club was blanked. Neither side scored again until the 6th inning, when the Columbus club got in six runs by taking advantage of the dreadful errors of Stricker, Stovey and Moynahan. After the Athletics had been retired in one-two-three order, Fred Mann stole third very cleverly and reached home on a hit by Jimmy

#### OUR COVER PICTURE

DUMMY DUNDON in his pitching pose. This rare old original photo of the world's first renowned deaf professional baseball player was taken in Mobile, Alabama, in 1885. In his time prior to 1890 he did not have the windup nor over-the-shoulder pitch as the pitchers do nowadays. His cunning control was a fast ball with a quick jerk of the right hand from the waist line along with the twist of his body forward as he peered toward the plate. He never wore a glove.



OHIO INDEPENDENTS BASEBALL TEAM OF 1879, a crack deaf semi-professional club of Columbus, which barnstormed the eastern states playing against National League foes of 80 years ago. With Dundon on the mound, the team was capable of beating those early-day National League clubs. First row, left to right: Collins S. Sawhill, LF; Henry Bardes, Sub SS; Hunter (hearing), SS; Edward J. Dundon, P. Second row: Harvey J. Stottler, 3B; Isaac H. Sawhill, C; Joseph W. Leib, Captain and 2B. Third row: John Hahn, RF; Joseph Himelspaugh, CF; Parley P. Pratt, Manager; and John Ryn, 1B.

Field to Stricker, which the "Cub" fumbled, allowing Rudy Kemmler to reach second.

Dummy Dundon was put out at first with Stricker's assistance. Wheeler hit a short fly to Stovey, which he muffed, thereby letting in two more runs. Johnny Richmond hit safely to third, from where he got home on a wild pitch by Bakely. Brown stole third and crossed the home plate on a fumble by George Washington Bradley of Charley Smith's easy grounder to short. Mann then hit safely to right field advancing Smith to third. Kemmler settled the inning by going out on strikes.

In the 8th inning the Athletics bettered their score somewhat, After Fred Corey had been caught out by Kemmler, Stricker got to second on Wheeler's muff of his long fly. A passed ball advanced him to third, and Dundon's miss of Bakely's grounder let him score. A wild pitch and a two bagger of Judson Birchall sent Bakely in and Birchall also scored on Stovey's single.

Moynahan next was given his base on balls and a fumble and a wild throw by Dundon allowed Stovey and Moynahan to cross the plate. O'Brien closed the inning by being thrown out at second. The Columbus men, in their share of the inning, added another run, Richmond scoring on an error by Stricker and a fly which fell between Birchall and Corey.

The Athletics now had a last chance and needed two runs to tie. Bradley was retired at first base with the assistance of Dummy Dundon, and Coreywas retired in the same manner. Stricker partially revived hope by batting safely to left and reaching third on good running and a poor throw by Kemmler, but Eddie Bakely put an extinguisher on the game by striking out. Charlie Daniel's umpiring was very good.

Well, this is an account of the game, or we might call it an inaugural contest, because this was the first professional game in which a deaf player played.

In appreciation of his effective mound work as well as his batting and playing in the outfield with the Columbus team, Dundon was presented with a gold medal at close of the season by a prominent citizen who was one of the owners of the Club and an enthusiastic patron of the game.

In 1884 Edward "Cannon Ball"

Morris was acquired from the California (outlaw) League as a pitcher with Columbus to help out Frank Mountain along with Dundon which helped in bringing the "Buckeye" team up to second place in the standings of the American Association at the close of the season with New York City winning the pennant.

The next season in 1885 the Columbus franchise was sold to Pittsburgh of the American Association when the organization was cut down from 12 clubs to 8 leaving only Edward Dundon and outfielder John F. Cahill. Manager Gustave H. Schmelz, however, took them with him to Atlanta as members of the club in the newly formed Southern League where Dundon pitched the Georgia Capital to its first championship. He pitched in 36 games, winning 21 and losing only 12 while striking out 188 batters. He was with Nashville of the Southern League in 1886 and went to Syracuse of the International Association where he remained for the season of 1887 and a part of 1888. It was at Syracuse that he suffered an attack of fever which undermined his health, and he had to go home and rest after pitching his last game on August 6. The Syracuse "Stars" were in the lead and won the championship at the close of the season. After a good rest he finished out the season of 1888 in two home games with the Columbus club in the old Tri-State League and lost both of

He had a comeback trial with Evansville, Indiana, and Peoria, Illinois, both of the Central Inter-State League in 1889, but he failed to do any good. He finally retired from the diamond to his



Edward J. Dundon pitcher

work in the State Bindery at Columbus where he remained for a while until consumption forced him to give it up in June of 1893. He died the fol-



Parley P. Pratt
First taught baseball to Deaf in U.S.A.

lowing August 18 at the age of 35.

This event called forth many expressions of regret from those who had known Dummy Dundon professionally and otherwise. The local press reviewed his career at length, and his funeral was well attended. His remains was laid to rest in Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Columbus where five white marble tombstones surrounded the plot.

Edward Joseph Dundon was 5 feet, 8 inches tall, and weighed 180 pounds. He threw and batted right-handed.

He was married to the former Mary L. Woolley, September 13, 1888, by the Rev. T. C. Probert at Cincinnati. She passed away on March 14, 1916, age 52, at Cincinnati, where she was buried. They had one hearing son, Edwin Percy, born September 9, 1889, who died March 28, 1949, age 59, at Cincinnati. One grandson, Edward Pershing, born September 5, 1918, is still living in Cincinnati.

His mother and father, two deaf sisters and one hearing brother were buried beside him. His father, John Dundon, Sr., died in 1904, aged 82, and his mother Mary, 17 years younger, died in 1910, aged 71. His brother, John Dundon, Jr., passed away in 1897, aged 35. His sister, Helen L. (Nellie), the first wife of Joseph H. Neutzing, died April, 1911, aged 41. Joseph H. Neutzling, for many years a teacher of shoe repairing at the Ohio School passed away on June 3, 1959, aged 86. Another sister, Mary L., wife of Samuel W. Corbett, lived to be 86 years old when she died March 30, 1948.

In my opinion Edward Joseph Dundon should be one of the earliest prospects for the AAAD Hall of Fame, so he will not continue to be a forgotten man as he has been as the years have gone by since his death over 65 years ago.

#### Edward Joseph Dundon's Baseball Record

Below are the pitching and batting records of Dummy Dundon as Ralph LinWeber compiled them in his recent research.

#### PITCHING RECORD

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300 336 430 568 750

#### BATTING RECORD

Yr. F	lan	k Club	League	G	IP	R	H	2B	3B	HR	SH	I S	BE	Pct.	Age
1879		Ohio Ind'ts	Semi-Prof.	51											21
1880		Ohio Ind'ts	Semi-Prof.												22
1881		Ohio Ind'ts	Semi-Prof.												23
1882		Ohio Ind'ts	Semi-Prof.												24
1883		Ohio Ind'ts	Semi-Prof.												25
1883	6	Columbus	A.A.	25	93	7	15	1	0	0	0	-		.151	25
1884	2	Columbus	A.A.	26	86	6	12							.139	26
1885	1	Atlanta	S.L.	59	208	33	47	6	1	2	0	-	9	.221	27
1886	3	Nashville	S.L.	32	105	15	19	2	0	1	0	0		.180	28
1887	3	Syracuse	I.A.	58	200	29	65	11	3	2	0	10	11	.325	29
1888	1	Syracuse	I.A.	18	74	9	19	2	1	1	0	4	17	.257	30
1888	5	Columbus	T-S.L.	2	8	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	.250	30
1889	5	Evansville	C.I.L.												31
1889	4	Peoria	C.I.L.												31

Note:— While not pitching Dundon played in the outfield, mostly in left.

#### LinWeber's "All-Deaf" Professional Baseball Team

Pos.	Player	School Attended
1B — G	eorge P. Kihm	Ohio
	euben C. Stephenson	
SS - H	enry Bardes	Ohio
3B — V	Villiam Fankhauser	Ohio
	ichard F. Sipek	
CF — W	Villiam E. Hoy (Capt.)	Ohio
RF — W	Villiam L. Sawhill	Ohio
C - J	ohn Ryn	Ohio
P-L	uther H. Taylor (R)	Kansas
P — E	dward J. Dundon (R)	Ohio
	aul S. Curtis (L)	
P-H	[arry F. Dix (L)	Ohio
P-G	eorge M. Leitner (R)	Maryland *
P — V	7. John Deegan (R)	New York
	ester G. Rosson (R)	Tennessee

Sipek, Hoy, Dix, and Leitner are the only four ex-professional players who are still living today.

Stephenson, Sipek, Hoy, Taylor, Dundon, Leitner, and Deegan played in the major leagues.

Stephenson and Dundon also played in the outfield, while Ryn performed at first base.

Kihm was a 19-year minor leaguer and was on five pennant winning teams of Toledo and Indianapolis and three times with Columbus.

Ryn was offered a contract to play in the majors for \$100.00 a week, but he refused to accept it because he thought it meant \$1.00 a week.

In the absence of the umpire, Dundon umpired in some of the games.

Hoy is the oldest major leagurer since 1876 to live to be 97 years old. His goal is to be 100.

Sipek was the last of all the deaf to play professional ball. Dundon was FIRST. Curtis was the best deaf left-handed pitcher of his time.

Taylor missed pitching in the World Series of 1905 with the New York Giants.

## **Dummy Hoy Reaches** 97, Sets Longevity Record for Majors

By Ralph Ray

(Clipped from THE SPORTING NEWS)

Dummy Hoy celebrated his ninetyseventh birthday at his home here in Cincinnati, last May 23. Hoy's major league career, which ended 57 years ago, included some remarkable feats. Now he has another distinction—he has lived longer than any other major leaguer.

Hoy was born May 23, 1862, seven months before the birth of Connie Mack, who was considered the patriarch of the game when he died at 93 on February 8, 1956. Still an occasional spectator at the Reds' games in Cincinnati, Hoy watches competition in a league in which he performed

71 years ago.

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The previous record for longevity by a major league player was set by John Wellington McKelvey, who had lived 96 years and nine months when he died on May 31, 1944, in Rochester, New York. McKelvey played with New Haven of the National Association in

Hoy played in four major leaguesthe National, American Association, Brotherhood (Players'), and American. He was a big league outfielder for 15 seasons, starting in 1888. A deaf mute, he communicated by hand-signals or written notes with teammates, opponents, and umpires.

Dummy has maintained a keen interest in the game. Last year, prior to his ninety-sixth birthday, he raised one objection, insisting that sports writers have become too formal. Ever since he passed his ninetieth year, in 1952, writers have referred to him by his real name, William E. "Tell them to call me Dummy, like they always did," he requested.

Hoy is only 5 feet, 5 inches tall, and weighed about 150 pounds during his playing career. He accomplished one of his top feats when he threw out three runners at the plate while playing centerfield for Washington in 1889.

His defensive exploits were the more remarkable because he had no sense of hearing and had to rely entirely on sight to get a jump on the ball. He had 45 assists as an outfielder with Chicage White Sox in 1900, and during his big league career he stole 514 bases, including 82 thefts in 1888.

#### Hoy, Iron Man of '03. Playing 211 Games

Hoy proved his durability in 1903, his last year in Oraganized Ball, when he played 211 games for Los Angeles of the Pacific Coast League. He was 42 at the time. He hit .294 for Cincinnati in 1902, his last year in the majors, and was a member of the pennant-winning White Sox of 1901.

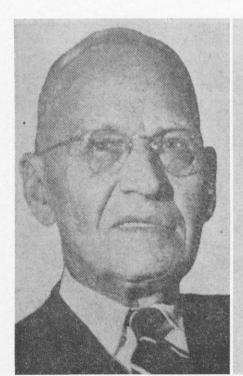
Dummy has been credited with a suggestion to an umpire which arbiters have followed to this day. In 1887 he asked the umpire to raise his right arm to signify a strike, since he had no way of knowing what the count was. The idea soon became the standard procedure.

Hoy has been a success off the diamond as well as on it. His son, Carson, is now a judge in Cincinnati. Early in his career, when he was with Washington, Dummy assumed the respon-

"Dummy" Hoy received a special citation as the oldest living ex-major leaguer on July 9 in Cincinnati when the Redlegs played the San Francisco

sibility of raising his nephew, whose mother had died and whose father was in poor health. The nephew is Paul Hoy Helms, who became the founder and sponsor of the Helms Athletic Foundation and Helms Hall, a philanthropic sports shrine in Los Angeles.

Hoy's play inspired one of the game's early historians to write: "Hoy was swift as a panther in the field . . . I have seen balls hit for singles that would have been doubles or triples with other players fielding them. Hoy never threw to the wrong spot. No player ever returned a ball faster from the outfield . . . Hoy was a 'Cobb' on the bases. I never saw him picked off base. Since he was a deaf mute, Hoy didn't bother about coaches. Ho did didn't bother about coaches. Ho did didn't bother about coaches. He did his base-running on his own. There'll never be another like him"



DUMMY HOY . . . He's 97, May 23



JOHN McKELVEY . . . His Record Topped

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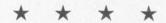


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